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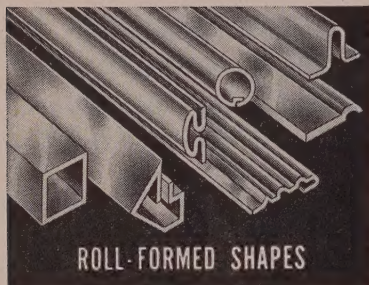
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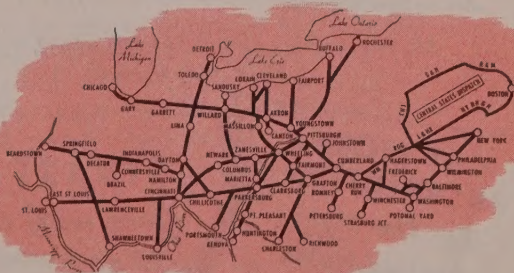
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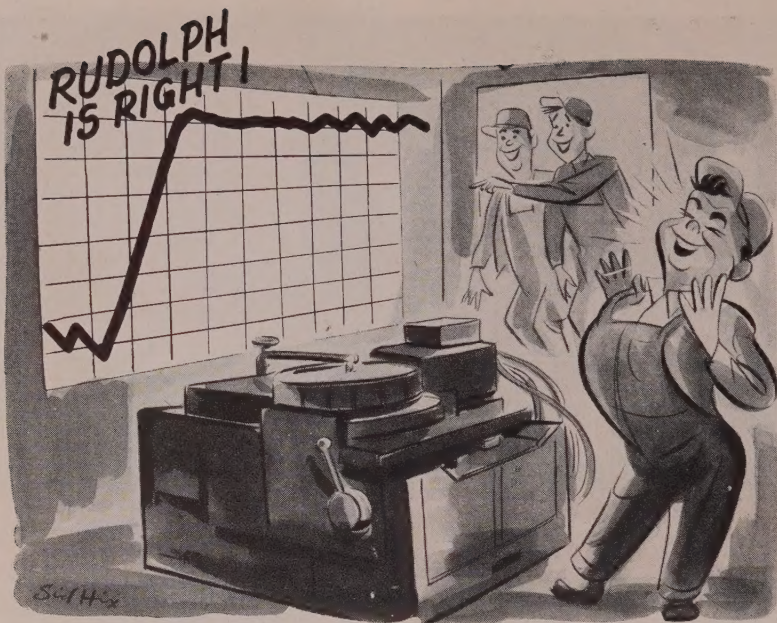
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LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

Titanium: The Latest Venture

Under the headline, "Another Titanium Project," (July 9, p. 71) STEEL reports a new organization will reduce titanium on a production basis. Can you send the company's name?

J. P. McGuan
8131 S. Maplewood Ave.
Chicago

• We referred to Horizons Titanium Corp., formed from Horizons Inc., Princeton, N. J., and Ferro Inc., Cleveland. For more details on the venture, see STEEL, July 30, p. 37.

Broadening Contacts

One of my associates shortly will have a production of two tons a day of powdered iron of 100 to 200 regular mesh, that can be reduced to 300 mesh 99.97 per cent pure.

In searching for markets, I have already contacted William Frost Co. Inc., New York, the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce and the chief, Iron & Steel Division, National Production Authority. We will appreciate any other market information you can furnish.

C. B. Edington
Southern Steel Co.
Los Angeles

• The three largest users of powdered iron in the U. S. are: Moraine Products Division, General Motors Corp., Dayton, O.; Amplex Division, Chrysler Motors Corp., Detroit; and Michigan Powdered Iron Products Inc., Northville, Mich. We also suggest you write to Metal Powder Association, 420 Lexington Ave., New York 17.

Strenuous Exception

I was very interested in your article, "Quality Control—It Helps Small Plants Too," (July 16, p. 74). I enjoyed the entire article, but take strenuous exception to the last sentence—"Be prepared to wait two years or more before you get concrete results."

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J. Manuele, director
Headquarters Quality Control
Westinghouse Electric Corp.
Pittsburgh

• We didn't intend to imply that it takes two years or more to get concrete results from a statistical quality control system—once the system is well established. We were trying to point out that it may take two years or more to get it established.

Interest in "STH"

Please send us the name and address of the manufacturer of the new soluble cutting tool known as "Emulsifier STH" (STEEL, June 25, p. 109).

A. B. Hourin
Schrade Walden Cutlery Corp.
Walden, N. Y.

• Manufacture, General Aniline & Film Corp., 22 Center Square, Easton, Pa.

Early Birds in Steel Ordering

Relations Strained

Fracas in NPA

Controls Bill: Little Help

OPS Gets Under the Wire

Needed: Tax Aid for New Firms

Watch for some legislative tax relief for companies formed since Jan. 1, 1946. Newly organized is the Young American Business Conference by 60 small new corporations. National chairman is J. S. Finger, president of Corrugated Corp., Houston. According to him,

small new firms formed since 1946 have no relief under the law to permit them to achieve their normal growth, but are subject to the maximum tax rate of 62 per cent, although growth companies formed before 1946 have such relief. The conference wants a subcommittee created by the Senate Finance Committee to study the problem, or a full hearing before the Senate Small Business Committee.

Slow but Sure

Wheels are moving slowly, but fairly surely, toward final action by Congress to legalize freight absorption once and for all. FTC tacitly admits that absorption is legal, at least in the case of steel, but the whole question is still ambiguous. The Senate Small Business Committee is studying S. 719 that would clarify the issue. The consensus of witnesses at hearings on the measure is that by enacting into law the provision that freight absorption is legal, businessmen will no longer have the fear that the Supreme Court or the FTC will reverse the decision.

Technology in Russia

We may not be as far ahead of the Communists technologically as we think. That's the opinion of Dr. Boris A. Bakhmeteff, Russian ambassador to the U. S. during the Kerensky days and now a business man in the U.S. Many Russian D.P.'s who fled the Soviets during the war are now working as mechanics for Lion Match Co., of which Dr. Bakhmeteff is president. "They are excellent mechanics, as good as our own," he says. While the Soviets in technology may still lag behind the U.S., they probably are ahead of most other countries of the world, he thinks.

Straws in the Wind

More and more closely held, smaller companies are selling out to the bigger firms because the seller wants to realize the profits now rather than later when taxes will probably be higher . . . Rochester Products Division of General Motors Corp. laid off 700 production workers temporarily because of materials shortages . . . Don't disband your expensively trained sales organization just because you can get orders by scarcely lifting a finger, advises Charles W. Bishop of Chrysler Corp.; he advises a study to see how salesmen can be used in other jobs.

What Industry Is Doing

NPA says it can do nothing for out-of-luck CMP ticket holders for September steel, but it believes many problems will solve themselves naturally by the fourth quarter (p. 43) . . . Investment trust funds are beginning to flow more readily into smaller, growing companies and as venture capital for new processes and ideas (p. 45) . . . Bethlehem Pacific Coast Steel Corp. has a \$47.5 million shipbuilding contract (p. 46) . . . Automotive battery sales are off (p. 47) . . . Don't overlook the Army Quartermaster Corps as a potentially large buyer of metalworking products (p. 54).



August 6, 1951

Why CMP Flounders

Most reasonable buyers and sellers of steel, copper and aluminum expected that a certain amount of confusion would attend the shift by National Production Authority from rated Defense Orders to the Controlled Materials Plan, but they were not prepared for the mess that has developed in allocations for September. Hundreds of purchasers who had CMP tickets—supposed to be as good as cashier's checks—will not receive their allotments.

NPA officials say this situation is due to three things: (1) Natural confusion in the shift to CMP, (2) an unexpected high carryover of DO tonnage which received CMP authorization and (3) emergency allotments for the Kansas-Missouri floods. NPA spokesmen declared that the situation, while admittedly bad, is not as chaotic as that attending the shift to CMP during World War II. They believe many of the difficulties will be overcome during the fourth quarter.

Many informed persons in and out of government do not share this hopeful view. Unofficially, some NPA people have their fingers crossed. Eugene G. Grace, chairman of Bethlehem Steel, is critical of distribution of steel under CMP and believes it should come in for searching review. Irving S. Olds, chairman of U. S. Steel, says that the manner in which CMP is shaping up borders on the ridiculous and that "the steel industry could do a better job."

These attitudes are typical of widespread criticism among sellers and buyers alike. However, it should be emphasized that this criticism is not directed as much against the persons who are trying hard to make CMP work as it is directed against the basic idea of controls and the circumstances under which they are administered. There can be honest doubt as to whether anything as complicated and cumbersome as CMP is really necessary. Secondly, one can raise the pertinent question as to whether any plan of allocation, carried on under the handicaps of entrenched Washington bureaucracy, ever can be satisfactory.

If we must have controlled allocation, a few good industry men—working anywhere except Washington and insulated from the curse of government muddleheadedness—can do a better job at a fraction of the cost.

EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

INJUSTICE OF JUSTICE: Every now and then news comes from Washington to the effect that a representative of industry has left his government job because the Justice Depart-

ment has discovered a technicality upon which he could be disqualified. To be fair, one must concede to the department certain rights in connection with the screening of individuals who

serve the government on a temporary basis. However, experience to date shows clearly that Justice is influenced unduly by ancient prejudices against business.

For instance, it looks askance at anybody who is associated with a trade association. Why? Because over the years, occasionally an association has run foul of anti-trust laws. The department's bigoted prejudice is depriving government agencies of scores of association staff officials who possess an amazing wealth of valuable information about the industries they serve.—p. 50

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STEEL IMPORTS SOAR: Imports of European steel into the United States have multiplied about 10 times in 10 months. Last October shipments from abroad were running at an annual rate of 250,000 tons. Today the flow is at a yearly rate of 2.5 million tons. National Production Authority says that one out of every five steel rods fed into independent United States wire mills in the first quarter of 1951 came from Europe. It also says one out of every eight tons of plates going into shops of domestic small independent fabricators in the first quarter was supplied by European steelmakers.

NPA has encouraged steel imports by allowing American fabricators to use the imported steel to augment domestic allotments, without figuring it in their quotas. Before that policy was adopted, users were required to figure imports in their quotas.

—p. 53

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QMC IS STEADY BUYER: Whenever this nation mobilizes for war or defense, so much purchasing for the armed services clears through Ordnance, Signal Corps, Engineers, Bureau of Ships, Air Force and other heavy procurement agencies that many potential suppliers are likely to overlook or underrate another important procurement agency. This not-too-often-publicized buyer is the Army Quartermaster Corps.

QMC is a steady purchaser of many items which either are regular products of metalworking plants or could be manufactured easily by them. A random list of such articles would include all types of materials handling equipment, stoves and ranges, cooking utensils, 5-gallon ("blitz") cans and scores of other types of containers, and numerous special mobile units such as bakeries, laundries, shower baths, clothing

and shoe repair shops, and gasoline drum cleaning and reconditioning shops.

For hundreds of metalworking plants, the shift from peacetime production to QMC work would be simpler than conversion to ordnance, aircraft or navy work.

—p. 54

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WHITE BRASS PLATING: Motordom is agog over a "white brass" underplate to take the place of conventional but restricted copper and nickel. It involves a cyanide type of plating solution, with certain brighteners and addition agents, plus anodes of approximately 80 per cent zinc and 20 per cent copper. It can be applied to any metal with standard equipment and with a plating cycle slightly slower than bright zinc. Maximum thickness is 0.0003-0.0004-inch. Plating is followed by a chrome flash. Samples have withstood the salt spray test up to 48 hours, whereas specifications covering the old copper-nickel-chrome combination provide for only 16 hours.

"White brass" plating is not yet a sure fire hit. Control of the system is critical. Some difficulties have yet to be overcome. However, enough enthusiasm is being manifested over its possibilities to justify careful consideration of the process by all who plate or use plating.

—p. 57

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NEED NEW MACHINES: Drastic changes in aircraft engines are creating machining problems that cannot be handled satisfactorily on orthodox machine tools. The new axial-flow gas-turbine engines call for production techniques unlike those encountered in building reciprocal engines or centrifugal-type turbojets. Among the new problems is that of machining a wide range of components of large diameter and thin wall section.

Typical of the new type of work are thin-walled stainless steel rings for turbojet nozzle vane rings, blade shrouds and tailpipes. The diameters run up to 48 inches and the machining cuts are light and precise. These call for a machine having the range of a large car-wheel lathe and the sensitivity of a toolroom lathe. Pratt & Whitney Aircraft took this problem to Lodge & Shipley, which has designed and built several T-bed lathes to the new specifications. Other machine tool builders are designing models for new aircraft engine work. Soon we will have a complete new line of machine tools.

—p. 76

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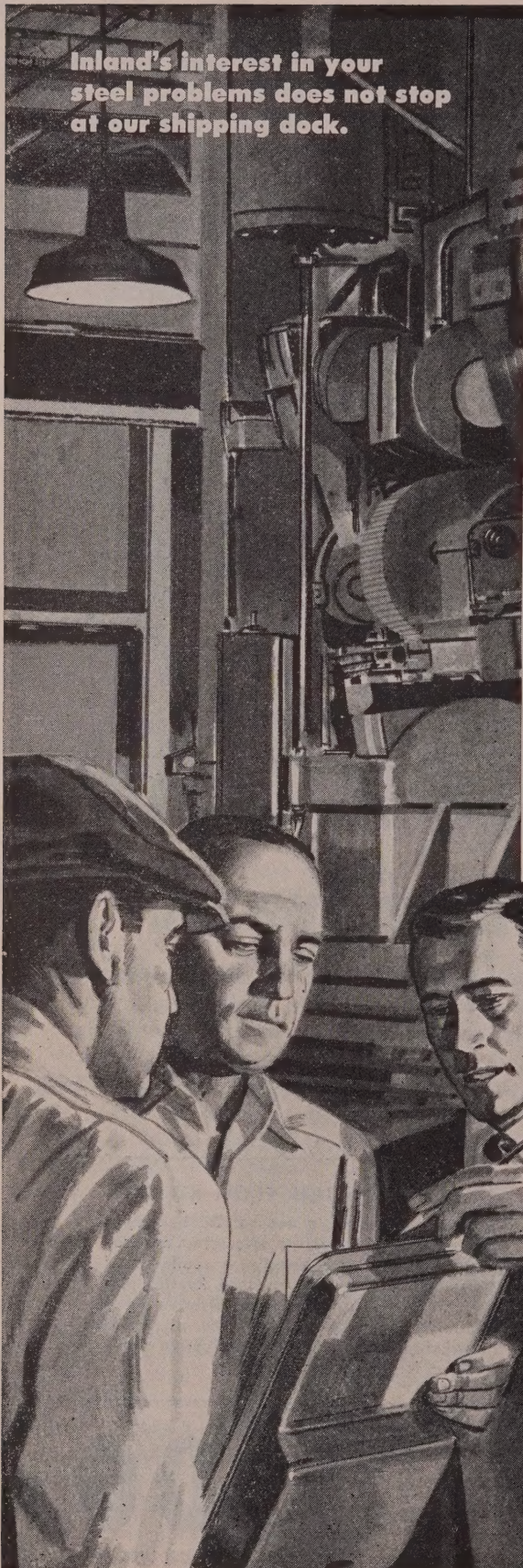
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When Cliff Baker*, one of Inland's mill representatives, was given the problem, he suggested changing the blanking direction—inserting sheets in the stamping machine at right angle to the previous direction.

This meant a simple change in the ordering procedure. The customer changed his dimensional specification for these sheets to 43" x 71" so that the direction of rolling and the subsequent direction of steel grain would conform to this suggested practice.

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No Help for September Steel

NPA says it can do nothing for out-of-luck CMP ticket holders for that month. It believes many problems will solve themselves naturally by the fourth quarter

IF YOU are one of the unfortunates who could not get a CMP steel check cashed for September, you'll have to make shift as best you can for material in that month. NPA says it's too late for it to do anything for September.

The agency admits that hundreds of companies have not been able to get their allocations but it insists that "the problem is not as bad as first thought." It points out that thousands of companies did get their steel and have no complaint. STEEL's spot checks reveal that some buyers of copper and aluminum are also having trouble getting their September CMP checks honored, but that, on the whole, the transition to CMP for the two nonferrous metals has gone more smoothly than for steel.

The Reasons Why—The over-issuance of CMP tickets in September was caused primarily by the natural confusion in the shift to CMP and by unexpected high carryovers of DO



CMP GIVES A ROUGH RIDE
... steadier by fourth quarter?

tonnages which got CMP authorization. A third, minor cause was the added allotments for the Kansas-Mis-

souri floods. NPA claims that the difficulties attending the transition to CMP during World War II were even worse than they are now.

The official NPA stand is that many of the problems in steel will work themselves out naturally by the fourth quarter. The transition wrinkles will smooth out. The DO carryovers from previous months will be pretty well wiped out by October. Steel for the Kansas-Missouri flood areas will have been rolled and shipped. Unofficially, some NPA people are not so optimistic and have their fingers crossed.

On a Note of Caution—The agency is being far more cautious about its fourth quarter program allotments than it was about the third quarter schedule. The October-November-December steel, copper and aluminum allotments are only about 10 per cent above expected production. They were 15 per cent above in the third quarter. The standard practice is to over-allot because during World War II the allocators found that the claimant agencies, particularly the military, did not take 100 per cent of their quotas. As another safety valve, NPA is setting aside 5 per cent of the expected output as a reserve in case things again go wrong. No such provision was made in September.

In announcing the fourth quarter

Where Allocated Fourth Quarter Materials Will Go

CLAIMANT AGENCY, PROGRAM	STEEL (TONS)	COPPER (000 LBS)	ALUMINUM (000 LBS)	CLAIMANT AGENCY, PROGRAM	STEEL (TONS)	COPPER (000 LBS)	ALUMINUM (000 LBS)
Estimated Supply	21,336,000	1,166,000	598,000	Copper	43,140	2,525	11,000
Secretary of Defense	1,946,000	205,800	168,000	Electrical Equip.	571,530	148,700	27,000
Secretary of Army	32,634	1,260	300	Electronics	72,550	33,385	15,750
Atomic Energy Comm.	183,403	7,160	7,559	Engine and Turbine	461,600	15,070	2,600
Federal Security Agency	165,913	5,071	515	Industrial, Comm. Construction	653,725	7,100	22
General Services Admin.	19,920	600	225	General Components	1,067,500	150,094	14,700
Veterans Admin.	11,041	501	400	General Industrial Equip.	866,500	61,020	25,400
Housing & Home Fin. Agency	180,000	17,457	500	Iron and Steel	347,100	1,650	29,000
Secretary of Agri.	127,400	8,490	2,200	Leather and Leather Prods.	14,000	425	700
Secretary of Interior	10,000	256	37	Lumber and Lumber Prods.	10,236	100	1,200
DSFA, Coal Mining	25,615	215	31	Metal Working Mach. Equip.	643,500	25,080	7,600
DSFA, Coke Ovens	18,135	535	70	Mining Machinery & Equip.	95,000	2,595	225
Defense Elec. Power Admin.	289,176	80,852	35,500	Misc. Metals & Minerals	1,809	837	16
Defense Minerals Admin.	41,395	1,435	140	Motion Picture-Photo Prods.	8,320	1,420	3,750
Petr. Admin. for Defense	1,806,500	7,975	785	Motor Vehicle	3,464,300	147,800	92,300
Defense Transport Admin.	83,000	1,700	300	Ordnance, Shipbuilding	167,212	8,015	1,300
Maritime Admin.	103,000	4,455	350	Printing, Publishing	3,788	1,702	375
Bureau of Public Roads	250,050	1,150	520	Pulp, Paper, Paper Board	1,000	5	50
Civil Aeronautics Admin.	6,190	741	20	Railroad Equip.	1,872,425	64,355	8,500
NPA Industry Divisions				Rubber	33,715	3,342	475
Agriculture Mach., Imp.	528,400	8,500	5,800	Scientific, Tech. Equip.	47,500	35,600	16,000
Aircraft	15,639	1,148	7,950	Service Equip.	46,850	2,800	5,750
Aluminum & Magnesium	12,850		3,800	Tin, Lead and Zinc		10	5,000
Building Materials	1,016,100	45,900	50,000	Water Resources	164,950	4,050	175
Chemicals		1,000	8,135	Exports (ECA-OIT)	676,000	9,825	2,450
Communications Equip.	39,453	53,090	2,900	Canada	343,625	2,750	2,250
Construction Mach.	503,450	4,340	2,000	MRO Supplies	1,312,150	26,884	3,050
Consumer Dur. Goods	867,000	49,050	57,000	Reserves for Program			
Containers, Packaging	1,615,216	271	17,900	Adjustment and Self-			
				Certification	1,171,015	59,850	31,900
				Total Allotments	24,058,520	1,325,941	681,475

allotments, Defense Production Administrator Manly Fleischmann says that military programs will take an average of 20 per cent of the metals in the fourth quarter. For that period, NPA had requests for carbon steel that would have taken 147 per cent of the available supply. Nearly two and a quarter times as much structural steel was requested as would be produced. The metal allotments for civilian consumer goods will mean a lower production in the fourth quarter than in the third. Fourth quarter steel quotas for automobiles will make possible assemblies of 1.1 million, about 60 per cent of production in the first half of 1950.

Steel Heads Hit CMP

Olds of U. S. Steel and Grace of Bethlehem attack the way steel distribution is handled

CHAIRMEN of America's two largest steel companies criticized management of CMP last week.

Irving S. Olds, U. S. Steel Corp., said, "the steel industry could do a better job." Eugene G. Grace, Bethlehem Steel Corp., said the manner in which the program is shaping up borders on the ridiculous.

Bear by the Tail—Mr. Olds points out that the government has started the job, so will have to finish it "whether we like it or not." He sees no balance between steel supply and the demand in the immediate future. Currently, and for some

time ahead, it appears that all the steel U. S. Steel can make will be required, despite the lag in demand for some consumer hard goods.

Mr. Grace believes that distribution of steel under CMP should come in for searching review. As conditions now stand, CMP certificates amount to no more than hunting licenses. He estimates direct military requirements at 10 per cent of total steel demand in the third quarter and says that under these circumstances full control of steel production and distribution as contemplated by Washington is unnecessary. He regards the remaining 90 per cent of demand, which includes defense - support programs, as being just so much civilian demand that the steel industry could very well handle itself, and far more effectively than the government.

Eyes Bigger than Stomach—Bethlehem, in attempting to appraise some of the current demand, analyzed the requests of the company's regular customers as they related to one month of Bethlehem's steel production. Most consumers had asked for at least twice what they normally require.

Mr. Grace also criticized the CMP policy that permits buyers who use up to 100 tons of steel per quarter to get it from the mills if they want to. Thousands of these small consumers are approaching the mills, although the warehouse would be their normal supplier. Many who

have the tickets for 100 tons or less, Mr. Grace believes, couldn't use it all if they tried. He sees in this the makings of a fine black market.

Inland Explains to Customers

In a letter to its customers about CMP, Inland Steel Co. says "we hope that needless controls will soon be relinquished so we can enjoy our normal relationships with our friends." Inland explains rules and regulations of CMP force it to operate on a first-come-first-serve basis with CMP ticket holders, so that some established customers must be turned down.

DiSalle Defends GOR 15

He says it's a price, not a profit control and that it should offer incentives

ATTACK by Frederick S. Blackall, vice president of the National Machine Tool Builders' Association, on the government's machine tool ceiling price regulation brought a quick response from the nation's price director, Michael V. DiSalle.

The regulation (General Overriding Regulation 15) is a profit control, not a price control, Mr. Blackall avers (see STEEL, July 30, p. 46). It's not a profit control, says Mr. DiSalle. Instead, it assures at least a minimum profit for machine tool builders, he declares in a letter to Sen. Burnet R. Maybank.

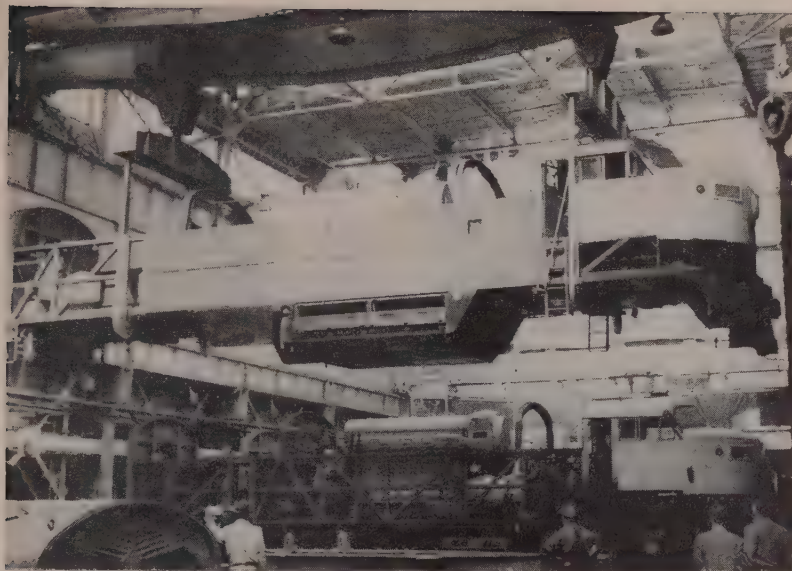
Modifier—GOR 15 modified price controls for machine tool manufacturers to stimulate production and offset expansion risks, Mr. DiSalle asserts. It assures all machine tool makers of realizing profits at least to the point of excess profits tax payment requirements, he declares. GOR 15 is optional, he emphasizes, and adds that some industry representatives told the Office of Price Stabilization they would not use it because their ceilings were already higher than its provisions would allow.

Mr. DiSalle explains further that GOR 15 gives manufacturers a substantial incentive for accepting government tool orders by assuring a profit return on all business assets after interest charges.

No Profit Control—The regulation does not control profits, Mr. DiSalle maintains, but rather establishes a minimum profit position during the transitional expansion period. With regard to refund provisions, he says the regulation permits manufacturers to estimate costs and simply requires refunds when estimates for a year's operation exceed actual experience by more than five per cent.



SAVING STEEL: Almost all porcelain enamel products and parts—range tops, bathtubs, sinks, washing machine tubs and shells—were in the 100 carloads of defective parts that overflow the warehouses into the yards of the New Process D-Enameling Corp.'s new Aurora, Ill., plant. The company began stripping defective porcelain enamel coatings from steel on a production basis in a pilot plant in April, 1949. The 100 carloads of products represent about 1200 tons of steel; retail sales value of the products would be about \$250,000



"WHEELING": The Fairbanks-Morse 3200-horsepower two-unit freight locomotive is the leader of a line of diesel-electric road locomotives manufactured at the Canadian Locomotive Co., Kingston, Ont. Power plant ratings of 1600, 2000 and 2400-horsepower can be installed in one basic structure with no change in the general arrangement of the basic unit. That gives the name "Consolidation-Line" or "C-Line" to the diesels. Here a 150-ton Morgan crane hoists a partially assembled C-Line locomotive in the "wheeling" operation

Investment Trend May Aid Little Fellow

The booming investment trust business has a new offshoot—organizations that have money to invest in smaller, growing companies and in new processes and ideas

A DEVELOPMENT within a development holds promise of giving new financial support for smaller growing companies and those with new technical processes that need more venture capital.

The big development is the growth in the investment trust industry, which invests the money of its many shareholders in a widely diversified group of securities.

Offshoot—The development within that development is the beginning of a trend toward the formation of investment companies that specialize in investing in smaller, growing firms or in companies with new technical processes or ideas that need more venture capital. Two types of organizations have developed in this latest offshoot of the expanding investment trust business. One is the open-end investment trust—the number of its shares of stock may grow and grow—that actually invests in growing companies exclusively. The other is the closed-end organization—similar to any manufacturing firm in that the number of its shares of stock is limited. That firm is partly financed by investment trusts to risk capital in new processes. An example of the first type of organization is Growth Companies Inc.; an example of the

latter: American Research & Development Corp.

Growth Companies Inc., Philadelphia, celebrated its first year of business Aug. 1. When founded, it had an assets value of \$256,500. Today, just one year later, those assets have more than tripled, to over \$900,000. When the company gets bigger, it will devote even more of its resources than it does now to provide venture capital for the smaller firm. Blue sky laws—state securities regulatory legislation—impose restrictions on how much stock Growth Companies can own in any one company, but its investment diversification enables it to spread its resources around and thus own shares in some smaller firms that the private investor ordinarily cannot afford to touch.

On the Basis of Research—Growth Companies makes its investing decisions partly on the basis of the research programs of the firms in which it is interested. To assist in the evaluation of such programs are board members of Growth Companies who include Clyde E. Williams, director of Battelle Memorial Institute; Zay Jeffries, retired vice president of General Electric Co. and past president of the American Society for Metals; Roger Adams, head of the University

of Illinois' chemistry department; and Bayard D. Kunkle, retired vice president of General Motors Corp.

American Research & Development Corp., Boston, the other type of company in the new investment trend, is supported largely by investment trusts and insurance companies. Its sole aim is to supply capital for new ideas and developments. Because it has a corporate structure like a regular manufacturing company, it is not so restricted by blue sky laws of the states and can concentrate its investments more in individual firms than Growth Companies. Like Growth Companies, it lays great stress on research in the organizations in which it participates and has for its board of advisers Karl T. Compton, Edwin R. Gilliland and Jerome C. Hunsaker, all of Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

By Leaps and Bounds—The investment trust business has had a phenomenal growth. Today the industry can afford to take a few fliers into venture capital. At the end of 1940, investment companies were trustees for about \$1.1 billion of capital. Today it has more than \$3.25 billion and assets are growing at the rate of \$500 million a year. Some 134 mutual funds are now operating in this country, compared with 75 a decade ago. More than 900,000 shareholders have varying interests in the funds—some with as little as \$100 invested.

"The co-operative investing idea is a good idea," says the economist, Beardsley Ruml. "It gives investors, large and small, a means of putting their savings into the ownership of business, with diversification, with management and with liquidity." From that "good idea" is coming a new offshoot which may bring new financial strength and energy to industry.

Boost for Foreign Bearings

"Buy bearings abroad." That's the request the U. S. Department of Defense is making to prime contractors on defense work.

The request, says the department, stems from a temporary scarcity in the United States of precision type ball bearings and availability of this type in Europe. However, foreign purchases of bearings should be made only when no material and machine tools are required from the U. S., the Defense Department points out.

The department's recommendation follows a report of a Munitions Board survey group composed of consultants from the bearing industry and personnel from the armed services who made a study of available European facilities. They reported that capacity for certain sizes of precision instrument type ball bearings is avail-

able in Europe. The current rate of European production for export can be materially increased, beginning in three to four months from placement of orders. This rate of production can be expanded progressively during the coming year, the group reported.

If European manufacturers receive U. S. orders now, capacity at the expanded rates probably will remain available for consumption by other countries of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, when U. S. production catches up with current demand, the report adds.

In addition to asking defense prime contractors to buy foreign bearings through U. S. bearing manufacturers and importers, the Defense Department asked American bearing makers also to negotiate independently with European sources. The department says that European companies will be able to supply instrument type ball bearings within three to four months after placement of orders.

Can We Keep It from Russia?

The question of banning free export of American know-how in the form of technical and trade publications again is under study, this time by the Security Committee of the National Security Council. State Department, the most concerned government unit in the matter, blew hot and cold at different times since World War II. In the past year, State Department, while not formally trying to institute a ban, told inquiring publishers that it was desirable to prevent circulation of their publications behind the Iron Curtain. As a result, some publications have discontinued servicing subscribers in Russia and Russian satellite countries.

In other government quarters, though, it is thought that a clear-cut ban would be pointless, for Russians have the run of the United States and of western European countries and can freely pick up copies of such publications as they desire and mail them out in their diplomatic mail pouches. So, no ban by the National Security Council is expected. The most that is likely may be a ban on a few selected publications.

Little Atom Playing Bigger Role

The little atom is getting bigger in industrial importance.

Some of its by-products are now to be used to assist industrial organizations in studies of the applications of radiation to industrial processes.

Industrial concerns which want to see how small samples of their materials or products will react to exposure to radiation can now send them to Brookhaven National Laboratory, Upton, N. Y., where thous-

and-curie sources of gamma radiation are being made available.

The thousand-curie sources, made of cobalt-60 or tantalum-182, each release as much gamma radiation as 2.2 pounds of radium (an amount equal to the pre-World War II total world supply).

The sources were prepared as part of a program organized by the Atomic Energy Commission and university laboratories to determine the feasibility and safety of using radiation from by-products of nuclear reactors in killing bacteria, or initiating or ac-

celerating chemical reactions.

Since materials exposed to radiation from the sources do not themselves become radioactive, the samples sent to Brookhaven by industry can be returned easily to the sender for analysis and evaluation of the results of their irradiation.

Exposure to large quantities of radiation from atomic energy by-products is known to induce chemical changes in molecules. Under intense gamma radiation bombardment, some molecules break into parts and then recombine in a different way.

Pacific Coast Will Be in Shipbuilding Business Again

SHIPS AHOY is the joyful cry on the West Coast these days.

The good news is that the San Francisco area is back in the shipbuilding business again with a tidy \$47,465,000 contract anchored to the Shipbuilding Division of Bethlehem Pacific Coast Steel Corp. The Maritime Administration awarded the contract for five Mariner-class cargo ships, the last of 35 freighters to be ordered by the administration under its present budget. The other 30 ships were ordered from Eastern yards. Cost for the five West Coast vessels is \$9,493,000 each.

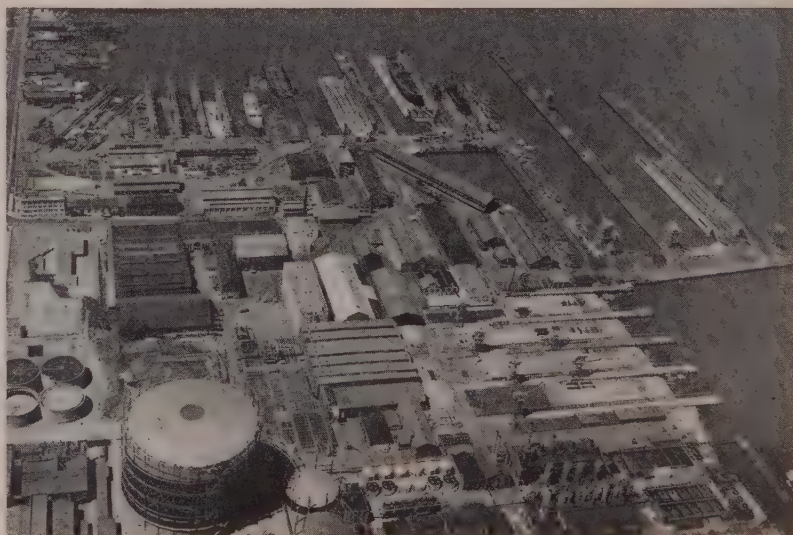
Ships and Shore—Eighteen months ago shipbuilding employers and unions were asking for government assistance to keep the West Coast shipbuilding industry from foundering completely. The Maritime order will again bring bustling activity to one of the most famous of all Coast yards and the oldest in the country (in point of continuous operation). The contract will have an important economic and employment impact in the

San Francisco area. Estimates are the Bethlehem yard will employ about 2500 new workers. There are 600 at present. Indirectly another 2500 jobs in the shipbuilding trades may be created. West Coast shipbuilding employment had dipped from almost 21,000 at the start of 1948 to less than 1000 at the start of this year.

The Mariner-type vessels will travel at 20 knots (about 23 miles per hour), about twice as fast as World War II's Liberty ships—and with 2½ times as much cargo. First vessel is scheduled to be delivered in 540 days, the others to come within the following 190 days.

Per Contract — The sprawling Bethlehem yard (it covers 100 acres) is one of the most integrated on the whole Coast. It has four floating drydocks, eight shipbuilding ways, over 14,000 feet of outfitting and ship repair piers. T. C. Ingersoll is general manager of the whole operation.

Work on the five vessels will begin as soon as materials and manpower are marshaled. Although there



AERIAL VIEW OF BETHLEHEM PACIFIC COAST SHIPYARD
... where five Mariner-type vessels will be constructed

are more than enough facilities to start work on the five ships almost simultaneously, they will have staggered delivery dates—per contract.

Shipyard Employment Jumps

Employment in U. S. shipyards has increased more than 60 per cent since the start of the Korean war, says the Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics.

In May, 1950, employment was at a postwar low of 132,400 workers; by May, 1951, it had increased to 216,900. Despite the sharp advance, employment was still far short of the World War II peak of 1.7 million. An estimated 40,000 additional workers will be added by the middle of 1952. Almost two-thirds of the workers in Navy yards and about 60 per cent of those in private yards are employed at Atlantic seaboard yards. Pacific yards employ less than a quarter of the industry's total labor force. Shipyards on the Gulf Coast, the Great Lakes and inland account for the remainder of the industry's employment.

Prefabs Speed Shipbuilding

Prefabrication of huge sections is being used to speed completion of the largest self-unloading vessel on the Great Lakes, now under construction for U. S. Steel's Bradley Transportation Co. at Manitowoc, Wis.

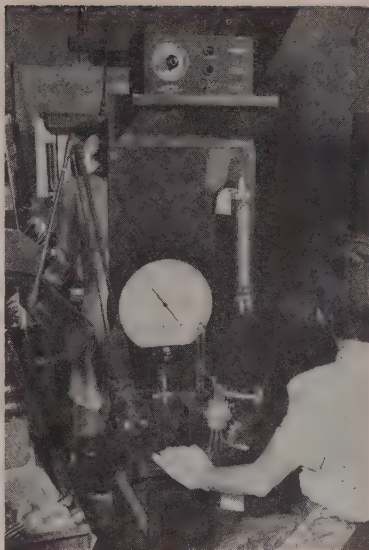
The hull of the 666-foot vessel is taking shape and present plans call for launching in November. The ship will be in commission for an early start in the 1952 lakes navigation season. Being built by Manitowoc Shipbuilding Co., the new vessel will be added to the six ships which now compose the Bradley fleet.

More Strikes, Less Lost Time

Strike idleness in the first half of 1951—about 10.4 million man-days—was almost 60 per cent less than in the same 1950 period and about 25 per cent less than in the first half of 1949.

The Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics says that with exception of the textile disputes in the spring of this year, no large prolonged stoppages occurred in the January-June period. In the first six months of 1950, lengthy coal and automobile controversies contributed heavily to the substantially greater lost-time figures.

But the 2225 work stoppages that occurred in the first half of 1951 exceeded by about 100 the strikes recorded in the corresponding period of 1950.



SAMPLING MONITOR: In pilot operation at General Electric's Refrigerator Division at Erie, Pa., is the Continuous Sampling Monitor, a new device announced by the company's Special Products Division. The monitor makes practical application of continuous sampling methods to manufacturing processes. Method employs a statistically-designed combination of sampling and 100 per cent inspection

Battery Makers Worried

They're troubled about weather, buying habits of the users and the lead shortage

TODAY'S battery maker is uneasy about weather, concerned about the erratic buying habits of the automotive user and alarmed about directives from Washington that will restrict the use of lead.

For the weather, buying habits and lead have a marked effect on the battery business, particularly the automotive storage battery trade which accounts for 85 per cent of the total battery volume.

The Heat's On—Heat, not cold, is the killer of batteries. Heat during the summer can weaken an auto unit to the extent that it may fail during the first few cold snaps of winter when more strength is required. Indeed, many batteries fail even before the cold snaps, and the seasonal peak for auto battery sales is August and September. The heat this summer has not been unusual, so no extraordinary spurt in replacement business is developing. That factor, plus advance buying last year caused by the Korean war, is depressing auto battery sales just as the time comes for the usual business bonanza.

There are close to 1000 makers of

batteries and battery components, most of whom make automotive batteries and components. Less than 100 companies account for the bulk of the sales. The industry produced about 31,131,000 units last year, 23,130,000 of which were replacements and about 8 million for original equipment. The industry believes it should produce about 22 million replacements in 1951, and 5 or 6 million original equipment batteries, depending on the number of cars and trucks assembled.

Bottleneck—The government quotas on the industry's use of lead—which one manufacturer termed "screwy"—may make it impossible for the manufacturers to turn out 22 million replacement batteries. Lead allocations go into effect Sept. 1 and probably won't seriously curtail the industry's activities this year, but will in 1952 if left the way they are. The allotment will be based on metal used in the first six months of 1950, despite the fact that lead consumption in the battery industry in the first half is normally only about 50 per cent that in the second half of the year. About one-third of auto battery sales usually are made in the first six months; two thirds in the second.

One answer to the lead shortage could be greater imports, but the drawback there is that foreign prices are higher than the ceiling domestic quotations. About a third of the lead used by battery manufacturers in 1950 was imported. This year much less—about 280,000 tons less—is being brought in.

For the Time Being—At the moment, there are enough automotive batteries because in the first six months of this year the industry had a lot of lead on hand and was able to build up supplies considerably by the time the pinch in lead really began to take effect. By the end of June, an inventory of about 5 million batteries existed because unusually heavy production brought inventory building in March. Battery makers normally start to build up their inventories early in May for the last half's peak.

The Score on Fast Writeoff

Rapid tax writeoff had been authorized through July 27 for 2882 new or expanded facilities. Total amount eligible for this rapid depreciation is \$8,461,569,605, the Defense Production Administration reports.

This rapid tax writeoff program permits individuals, companies or corporations to amortize over a five-year period a specific amount of a new facility considered important to defense. Purpose of the program is

to expand private industry's productive capacity quickly to meet mobilization goals.

Fast Tax Writeoff Opposed

Don't grant any certificates of necessity for rapid tax amortization in our field, the Electroplating Industry Advisory Committee told the government. Existing electroplating facilities are adequate, the committee says in explaining why there should be no fast tax writeoffs by those who want to build new plants or expand those operating.

Discussing effect of current restrictions on use of metals for plating, the industry committee said any further reduction in availability of copper will seriously handicap the industry. The committee reported that some job plating firms have only a 30-day inventory of nickel. NPA said it is aware of the serious effect the nickel shortage is having on the industry but it does not expect to relax M-14 at an early date.

Chicago Looks at Defense

Nearly two-thirds of Chicago manufacturers responding to a questionnaire sent them by Chicago Association of Commerce & Industry report that they have defense contracts.

Some 96.7 per cent of the manufacturers holding contracts are actually in production on defense work. But half of those with contracts report that they are still tooling for some of the defense work they have been awarded. The association's survey, based upon a response from 400 manufacturing companies reveals that: Nearly three-quarters of the manufacturers responding are actively seeking defense contracts now; 72 per cent of those seeking contracts have been successful in acquiring them; and some manufacturers are receiving defense orders faster than they can handle them.

Half the manufacturers who have defense contracts are operating both as prime and subcontractors on defense orders. Another third are operating only as subcontractors, and the remaining firms report they are operating as primes only. Thirty-five per cent of the manufacturers with defense orders say that such orders involve less than 10 per cent of their total volume of production. Twenty-two per cent said defense production was taking up from 10 to 20 per cent of their capacity, and 26 per cent stated that defense work is occupying from 20 to 60 per cent of their total volume.

Most of the companies with defense work now expect to have even more six months from now.



COMING IN FOR A LANDING: A crane lifts a usAIRco refrigerated Kooler-aire unit atop a Pan American World Airways structure at New York International Airport. Two 20-ton air conditioning systems were installed in only three weeks' time to assure a comfortably cool summer for more than 500 employees

Blackout Partially Lifted on U. S. Award Data

ACTION THIS WEEK on a promise made six weeks ago by the Department of Defense finally permits a partial lifting of the blackout imposed on detailed government contract information since March.

The new policy, as outlined in STEEL (June 18, p. 48) puts limited dollar value and quantity data back on the Department of Defense synopses of awards published each week by the Commerce Department. Remaining restrictions limit this complete account to contracts ranging in value from \$25,000 to \$250,000. Awards exceeding \$250,000 are so in-

dicated, but actual unit quantities and dollar amounts are withheld.

All contracts included in STEEL's summary of government awards this week carry values that are in excess of \$250,000.

Among contracts reported recently, exclusive of the government's synopses, one granted to Hercules Motors Corp. gets the company into production of 3266 motors with accessories at a cost of \$1.6 million. Two awards to Willys-Overland Motors Inc. are valued at \$1,456,000 and call for making 555 quarter-ton trucks and 1773 hard-top cabs.

PRODUCT

Periscopes & Spare Parts
Radar Training Sets
Trainers—Ground Instrument Flying
Control Panels
Automatic Pilots for F-84F & RF-84F
Automatic Pilot Components
Turbosuperchargers
Turboprop Aircraft Engines (3 contracts)
Transmitters

Dynamotors
Radio Sets

Radio Compass Components

Amplifiers
Reorder Reproducers
Microwave Systems
Regulators & Generators (2 contracts)
Mobile Training Units (complete)
Helicopters
Aerial Delivery Kit Components

Wheel & Brake Assemblies

Cycle Reconditioning of Aircraft
Bomb Hoists
Stand Assemblies
Hydraulic Test Stands

CONTRACTOR

Eastman Kodak Co., Rochester, N. Y.
Transducer Corp., Boston
Electronics Div., Curtiss-Wright Corp., Caldwell, N. J.
Aeromotive Equipment Corp., Kansas City, Mo.
Westinghouse Electric Corp., Pittsburgh
Sperry Gyroscope Co., Great Neck, L. I., N. Y.
Hotpoint Inc., Chicago
General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y.
Northern Radio Co. Inc., New York
Hazeltine Electronics Corp., Little Neck, L. I., N. Y.
Sylvania Electric Products Corp., New York
Radio Corp. of America, Camden, N. J.
Olympic Radio & Television Inc., New York
Collins Radio Co., Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Radio Corp. of America, Camden, N. J.
Adler Communications Laboratory, New Rochelle, N. Y.
Air Associates Inc., Teterboro, N. J.
Fairchild Camera & Instrument Corp., Jamaica, L. I., N. Y.
Kearfott Co. Inc., Little Falls, N. J.
Magnavox Co., H. Wayne, Ind.
Maxon Engineering Div., W. L. Maxon Corp., Norwich, Conn.
Daystrom Electric Corp., Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
Philo Corp., Philadelphia
Eclipse-Pioneer Div., Bendix Aviation Corp., Teterboro, N. J.
Douglas Aircraft Co. Inc., Santa Monica, Calif.
Piasecki Helicopter Corp., Morton, Pa.
Unity Industries, Guthrie Center, Iowa
Lite Mfg. Co. Inc., New York
S. Buchsbaum & Co., Chicago
Polan Industries, Huntington, W. Va.
Bendix Products Div., Bendix Aviation Corp., South Bend, Ind.
Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. Inc., Akron
Pacific Automotive Corp., Burbank, Calif.
Steel Products Engineering Co., Springfield, O.
Greer Hydraulics Inc., Brooklyn, N. Y.
Sprague Engineering & Sales, Gardena, Calif.

CHECKLIST ON CONTROLS

GOVERNMENT control orders are digested or listed each week in this "Checklist on Controls." For complete copies of NPA orders, write to NPA Distribution Section, First Basement, New GAO Bldg., Washington 25. For copies of OPS orders, contact nearest OPS district or regional office. For copies of OPS news releases, write David S. Phillips, director, OPS Administrative Services Division, Temporary E Bldg., Washington 25.

Controlled Materials Plan

ORDER ACCEPTANCE—Amendment 2 to CMP Regulation 1 states that a controlled materials producer who is not required or is unable to accept an order for delivery in the month specified by his customer, but has open space on his schedules during the next two months, must accept the order and fill it as soon as possible, if this is satisfactory to the customer. If this would mean delaying delivery into a later quarter the order may be accepted only if the customer certifies that he holds an allotment valid for the later quarter. In such cases the customer must charge the delivery to that later quarter. Amendment 2 was issued Aug. 1, 1951.

DELIVERIES — Direction 5 to CMP Regulation 1 stipulates that if a purchaser, through no fault of his, did not receive the full amount of controlled materials originally ordered for second quarter delivery, this undelivered amount shall not be deducted from his third quarter allotment. If a purchaser placed an order in the second quarter for delivery in the third quarter, he must deduct the amount of such materials from his third quarter allotment regardless of whether they were obtained by an authorized CMP order, a rated order or an unrated order. Direction 5 was issued July 30, 1951.

Materials Orders

TIN—Amendment of July 26, 1951, of NPA Order M-8 corrects typographical errors in the July 1 amendment of the order.

LEAD—NPA Order M-76, issued July 26, 1951, places soft pig lead under NPA allocation Sept. 1, 1951.

LEAD—Amendment of July 26, 1951, of NPA Order M-38 removes all restrictions on distribution of lead and lead products Sept. 1, 1951. These restrictions have been incorporated in M-76.

COMMUNICATIONS — NPA Order M-77 issued July 27, 1951, provides priorities assistance to the nation's operating communications industry in obtaining certain materials for maintenance and expansion.

CONSUMER DURABLES — Direction 2 to NPA Order M-47A permits manufacturers of consumer durable goods whose second quarter use of steel, copper and aluminum was based on adjusted base period figures to use these adjustments in computing permitted use of

these materials during the third quarter. Direction 2 was issued July 27, 1951.

ALUMINUM FOIL — Amendment of July 27, 1951, of NPA Order M-67 broadens that order to include all types of aluminum foil except insulation foil. Some of the uses now governed by M-67 had been controlled by M-7, which was revoked July 1.

CADMIUM — Amendment of July 30, 1951, of NPA Order M-19 permits increased use of cadmium in a wide range of military and civilian products. The cadmium order was amended because inventories of the metal have been backing up in the hands of producers, pending an increase in defense orders. M-19 had restricted the use of cadmium almost exclusively to production of war implements and essential civilian products.

NPA Delegation

ATOMIC ENERGY — Amendment of July 27, 1951, of NPA Delegation 2 authorizes the Atomic Energy Commission to allot controlled materials and to redelegate this right to other federal agencies engaged in AEC projects. The amendment was effective July 27.

Price Regulations

MANUFACTURER DEFINED—Amendment 18 to Ceiling Price Regulation 22 of the Office of Price Stabilization makes it clear that the definition of manufacturer does not include a person who merely rebuilds, reconditions, renovates, renews or otherwise restores a used commodity. Amendment 18 was issued July 27, 1951.

COPPER — Supplementary Regulation 46 to the General Ceiling Price Regulation of the Office of Price Stabilization permits sales at 27.5 cents a pound of certain quantities of refined copper by refiners using imported raw materials. Ceiling price for the basic domestic grade of electrolytic refined copper remains at 24.5 cents, Connecticut Valley. SR 46 was issued July 25, 1951, and made effective on that date.

TUNGSTEN STEELS — Notice was given by the Office of Price Stabilization July 26, 1951, to producers of tungsten-containing products that they may now advance their prices for these materials to the ceilings established by Supplementary Regulation 42 to the General Ceiling Price Regulation without giving OPS 20 days' notice. SR 42 raised ceilings on high speed tool steels, specialty steels and other tungsten-containing metal products. Leading makers of these materials were among the steel companies which signed an agreement with the government that they would not increase iron and steel prices above the Jan. 15, 1951, level without giving 20 days' notice.

MANUFACTURERS — The manufacturers' general ceiling price regulation, CPR 22, was republished July 27, 1951,

to incorporate the text of amendments 1 through 17.

COPPER ALLOY SCRAP—Amendment 1 to Ceiling Price Regulation 46 rolls back prices of all grades of copper alloy scrap containing tin to levels reflecting a value of \$1.15 a pound for tin. This value is slightly above the current market, but the tin price fluctuates frequently and it is hoped the \$1.15 figure will hold prices on these scrap grades steady for a reasonable length of time. The \$1.15 figure replaces a \$1.50 figure. The amendment is effective Aug. 6, 1951.

BRASS MILL SCRAP—Amendment 1 to Ceiling Price Regulation 47 rolls back prices of all grades of brass mill scrap containing tin to levels reflecting a value of \$1.15 a pound for tin. The \$1.15 figure replaces a \$1.50 figure. The amendment is effective Aug. 6, 1951.

REMELT ZINC—Supplementary Regulation 48 to the General Ceiling Price Regulation rolls back remelt zinc prices to bring them into line with ceilings set for zinc scrap on June 1, 1951, under CPR 43. New ceiling prices before allowable transportation charges are: 17.25 cents a pound for material with a minimum zinc content of 97.5 per cent; and 12.25 cents a pound for material with a zinc content below 97.5 per cent. SR 48 is effective Aug. 6, 1951.

EXPORT PRICES—Ceiling Price Regulation 61 limits export sales prices to the domestic ceiling price plus exportation costs and plus the same percentage markup obtained on deliveries between Jan. 1, 1949, and June 30, 1950. CPR 61 supersedes most General Ceiling Price Regulation provisions applying to exports and all export provisions of CPR 22, the general manufacturers' order, and CPR 30, the machinery manufacturers' order.

IMPORTS—Amendment 6 to Ceiling Price Regulation 31 provides an effective date of Sept. 1, 1951, for CPR 31, which sets up pricing formulas for sales of imported goods. A seller may make the regulation effective at such earlier date as he files the list required by Sections 5 and 6 of the regulation.

New Order for Castings Prices

Pricing controls over metal castings are being transferred to a specially tailored regulation, Ceiling Price Regulation 60. They have been under the General Ceiling Price Regulation of the Office of Price Stabilization.

CPR 60 will be effective Sept. 1, 1951, or at such earlier date between Aug. 1, 1951, and Sept. 1, 1951, as a seller may select.

The new regulation, OPS says, was issued because serious distortions in the price structure of many producers had developed. In general, ceiling prices are determined under the new regulation on the basis of prices at which castings were sold on Jan. 25, 1951, with adjustments to reflect changes in costs of metals between that date and the issuance of the regulation.

The Justice Department looks with jaundiced eye on trade association officials who are advisers or consultants to defense agencies. E. A. Schoefer was one who had to leave

THE FOUNDRY INDUSTRY suffered a great loss when E. A. Schoefer was severed from his connection with NPA Iron & Steel Division's Metallurgy & Conservation Branch. (E. J. Hergenroether, on leave from International Nickel Co., is its head.)

Mr. Schoefer is going to be missed more than a little bit because he is well qualified to advise the high-alloy castings industry on its problems. He is really a victim of the Justice Department's ruling that trade association officers may not serve the government as consultants or as members of industry advisory committees. Mr. Schoefer happens to be executive secretary of the Alloy Castings Institute, Mineola, N. Y.

The Gimlet Eyes—Years ago the Justice Department looked upon trade associations as hotbeds for developing tricky methods or reaching price agreements and otherwise violating antitrust laws. The fact that trade association officials in the past have been right on matters of pricing seems to have made no difference to the gimlet-eyed men in the Justice Department. The attitude amounts to this: Trade associations are suspect and defense agencies should give them no recognition.

Defense agency men, of course, like the trade association executives: They're an informed lot, knowing their industries inside and out, for the most part. And they're usually in a position to give invaluable aid. But that cuts no ice in the Justice Department deep-freeze.

Proper Mixture—Under the arbitrary Justice Department policy, only bona fide industry men—selected in a proper mixture from different sections of the country and from large and small companies may be members of industry advisory committees.

What will happen to trade association men now serving with NPA divisions and sections as consultants? (There are a number of them left in the Iron & Steel and other divisions.) They're keeping their fingers crossed.

International Trade with Armour Research Foundation, Chicago, and General Railway Signal Co., Rochester, N. Y.

The contracts call for assistance to India and Pakistan. For India, Armour technicians are to map out a program for expanding small-scale industries, with special attention to improving practice at the many small foundries in that country, and improving efficiency at cellulose and paper producing plants. For Pakistan, Armour men are to better the operating techniques and equipment of Pakistan steel mills.

General Railway Signal Co. is to recommend signalling and traffic systems for the Pakistan Railway.

Defense Agency Appointments...

New industry men in NPA's Iron & Steel Division are:

William A. Thompson, Wyckoff Steel Co., Pittsburgh, is chief, Cold Drawn Bar Section, succeeding E. C. Koester, Pilgrim Drawn Steel Corp., Plymouth, Mich. . . . Ray Thulean, Inland Steel Co., Chicago, is chief, Rails & Track Accessories Section,

a new unit . . . C. T. Hapgood, Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp., Pittsburgh, is chief, Pipe Section, succeeding J. W. Owings, Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co., Youngstown, O. . . Robert Smice, Columbia Steel Co., is chief, Structural Shape Section, succeeding Thomas E. Dalby, Bethlehem Steel Co. . . . John Walker, United States Steel Co., is chief, Bar & Semifinished Section, succeeding Henry P. Rankin, Republic Steel Corp. . . . E. D. Bickford, Bethlehem Steel Co., is chief, Plate Section, succeeding Max Hoffman, United States Steel Co.

Francis Juraschek, director of commercial research, United States Steel Co., Pittsburgh, was appointed director, Steel Area, Office of Program & Requirements, Defense Production Administration. He is located at 4G4 new GAO Bldg.

Max W. Eward, Republic Steel Corp., Cleveland, joined the Defense Solid Fuels Administration, Interior Bldg., Washington, as industrial consultant on coke production.

Fred R. Toothman, on leave from his job as mining engineer for the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Co., and William B. Young, formerly with Eastern Gas & Fuel Association, as supervisor of the installation of mining equipment, were appointed technical advisers in DSFA's Equipment & Materials Division.



AIR POWER: Harold R. "Bill" Boyer, on leave from General Motors where he has been production engineering director since 1946, is now the big boss of all U.S. aircraft production. His titles: Deputy administrator for aircraft production, chairman of DPA's Aircraft Production Board. Defense Mobilizer Charles E. Wilson (right), who administered the oath to Mr. Boyer, congratulates him. Looking on (center) is National Production Administrator Manly Fleischmann who also holds the job of defense production administrator

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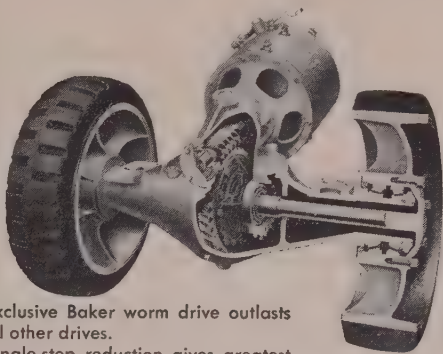


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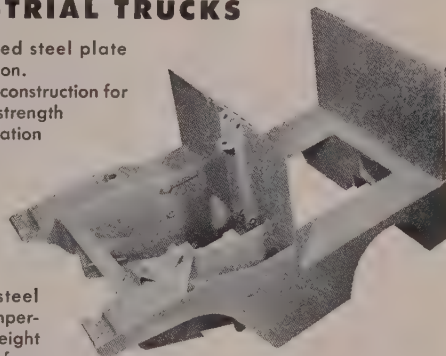
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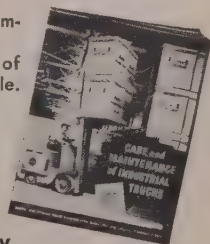
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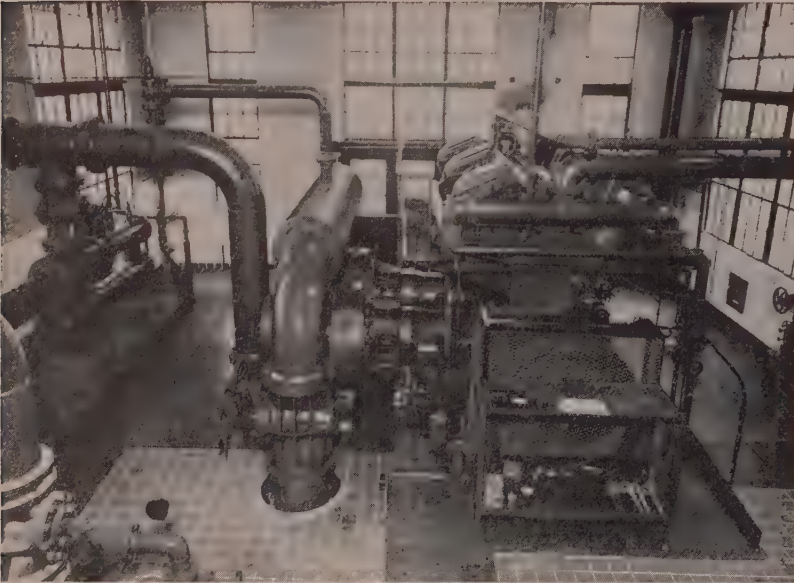
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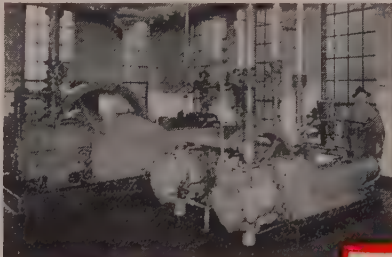
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Europe's New Goal: Greater Productivity

Marshall nations will count on American aid—public and private—in their drive. ECA estimates the countries' gross product can be increased by \$100 billion

AMERICAN aid — both public and private—will figure heavily in a new drive to boost Europe's productivity.

ECA aims to help Western European nations to increase their annual gross national product by \$100 billion. Up to now, the agency has put some emphasis on productivity, but its main job has been rehabilitation. That emphasis will now be reversed.

Administrative Shifts — To help make the change, a new ECA post has been created, that of assistant administrator for production. It will be filled by William H. Joyce Jr., formerly assistant administrator for operations. ECA hopes to persuade the Marshall Plan countries to form a joint productivity group, much like the Organization for European Economic Cooperation, to gain the maximum benefits from U.S. technical aid.

More European productivity teams will be coming to the U.S., and the practice of sending American teams to Europe will be expanded. The first of the latter groups, the U.S. pressed metal productivity team, has just returned from England. One finding of that team is that the British stamping industry would benefit with the organization of a trade association for the entire field. To further productivity, ECA will also enlarge its industrial staffs in Europe and will establish a pool of skilled specialists in various industries. Men from that pool will be available to Marshall Plan countries for advice.

Private Help—Assistance in Europe's drive for increased productivity won't come from the U.S. government alone. Aid from private U.S. sources may also eventually boost Europe's productivity. Battelle Memorial Institute, the independent industrial research foundation in Columbus, O., will establish a European branch of its laboratories to serve Europe beginning next year.

The institute has just completed a survey of scientific and industrial conditions in Europe. It finds that America has much to offer Europe, particularly in applied engineering, but that European science has much to give American scientists, especially in fundamental knowledge and research. Exact location of the European branch will depend upon the outcome of negotiations now in progress.

Proof Positive—Evidence that Europe has already made productivity

gains lies in statistics on steel exports to the U.S. They have risen 900 per cent since last October. Actual shipments—which increased from a rate of 250,000 tons yearly last October to a rate of 2.5 million tons now—are still small in terms of total U.S. production, but they help. National Production Authority says that one out of every five steel rods fed into independent U.S. wire mills in the first three months of 1951 came from Europe. Europe supplied one out of every eight tons of steel plates that went to small independent factories in the first quarter.

NPA has encouraged steel imports by allowing American fabricators to use the steel to augment domestic allotments, without figuring it in their quotas. Hitherto, they have had to figure it in their total quotas.

U.K.'s Abbey Steel Plant Rolls

Britain hopes its steel industry's productivity will soar with the opening of the Abbey Work of Steel Co. of Wales Ltd. near Port Talbot.

Erected with Marshall aid, the mill took four years to erect, cost \$168 million and is the largest in Europe. The plant will have the capacity to turn out 2 million tons of steel annually, most of which will be rolled into sheet steel and tin plate.

The Ruhr Has Doubts

West Germans fear that productivity will be hampered by the establishment of the new steel companies.



Wide World

The much debated and discussed Allied directive—No. 27—to reorganize the Ruhr steel industry has at last been implemented.

Four new companies have been carved out of Vereinigte Stahlwerke AG., once the largest steel producer in Germany. They have been named Rheinische Rohrenwerke AG., Huttenwerke Ruhrort-Meiderich AG., Gusstahlwerk Witten AG., and Bussstahlwerk Oberkassel AG. A fifth new company, Stahlwerke Bochum AG., will take some of the facilities of the old Otto Wolff combine.

The scrap shortage is another threat to the steel industry's productivity. An all-out drive has just started to boost scrap generation from 550,000 tons a month, the present rate, to about 700,000 tons. German political leaders, as well as steel men, are anxious to boost the scrap take because Britain has just agreed to abolish the Allied Ruhr Authority if she is assured the monthly delivery of 110,000 tons of German scrap.

Spanish Railroads Get Help

Spain needs better railroad facilities to boost her productivity.

The Export-Import Bank has granted a credit not to exceed \$7.5 million to Spanish National Railway System.

The Spanish National Railways, established in 1941 as an autonomous public enterprise, accounts for about 80 per cent of the mileage of all railroads in Spain, having 8000 miles of track, more than 3000 locomotives and more than 74,000 freight cars.

The U. S. credits will help finance three types of purchases: Rails and accessories up to \$1.3 million; signaling equipment up to \$1.2 million; and electric locomotives and substations and other related equipment up to \$5 million.

AID AND ADVICE: A rolling mill that will produce steel sheets and tin plate is being erected at the Port of Piraeus in Greece—with American aid and advice. Steel bars from which the sheets and plate will be rolled will have to be imported, but final finished costs will be lower for Greece's industrial effort. The country is mainly dependent upon Western Europe and the United States for her finished steel needs. Because of the increased demand for finished steel under the joint defense effort, Greece's growing industrial might will be able to contribute its part in the effort to strengthen the free world



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Don't Forget the Quartermaster

That branch of the service not only buys food and clothing for the Army but many metalworking products like stoves, ovens, fork-lift trucks, trailers and other mobile units

PROCURING things as small as can openers and large as mobile bakery units, as specialized as deep fat fryers and as general as steel drums is part of the job of the Army Quartermaster Corps.

In all, the Quartermaster purchases and procures 82,000 items, a good many of which spell big business to the metalworking industry. Last fiscal year alone, for example, it bought 21,000 large baking sheets, 58,000 large round cake pans, 70,000 stainless steel pitchers, 1200 kitchen ranges, 20,000 field ranges, 3500 stainless steel coffee urns, 97,000 small cooking outfits.

Least the Quartermaster be accused of thinking only of things to eat, though, it should be remembered that it buys clothing and other equipment—even the things that get and keep food and clothing in or on order. It buys equipment to handle cases of food and trailer units for repairing clothing, textiles and shoes.

Down Metalworking's Alley — Because it is outstripped dollar-wise and tonnage-wise by Ordnance, Engineers and the Signal Corps in the Army, the Bureau of Ships in the Navy and the Air Force, the Quartermaster may be forgotten as a likely sales prospect. Take materials handling equipment, for example. It's not the usual end-type item used by military personnel, yet it is essential in the handling of thousands of items that the Quartermaster must shift around depots, to trains, trucks and ships. And the equipment it buys for han-

dling materials constitutes its largest metal tonnage procurement.

Fork-lift trucks are among the main types of materials handling equipment for Quartermaster—from a procurement and from a useful standpoint. The type of truck it wants it says is: A four-wheeled automotive unit that enables a man to pick up a unit load, carry it to its destination and stack it as high as 14 feet.

Instructions on the use of the trucks recommend: To make the most use of the fork-lift truck, it should be used in conjunction with a tractor-trailer train whenever the horizontal difference of the load to be carried is 250 feet or more. Electric and gasoline-powered units are used.

On Schedule—Several dozen types are used in Quartermaster depot and warehouse operations here and overseas. Among the most important types now under procurement is the gasoline powered 3500-pound fork-lift truck.

Last fiscal year 3000 trucks of varying sizes were bought. More are on this year's schedule.

Gravity conveyors are another major procurement item. Quartermaster bought over 24,000 of them in the last fiscal year—ranging from short jobs to more intricate affairs that carry cases of subsistence or other supplies around corners. Gravity wheel conveyors (small wheels mounted on horizontal axles within the conveyor frame) and gravity roller conveyors (moving parts are

steel rollers horizontally mounted in a conveyor frame) are the two general types used.

Tractors, Trailers, Trains—Warehouse tractors are more of the "big stuff" that Quartermaster uses, but last year's procurement was for only 300. More will be bought this year, and they'll be used to tow trailer loads. Like fork-lift trucks they may be either gasoline or electric-powered. They must be powerful enough to pull loads of practical size, yet small and maneuverable enough to move in the limited space of crowded warehouse and storage areas. They may be used for direct drag-towing along the floor (on skids), for pulling one or two trailers, or for towing a long train of trailers. In the latter system the tractor acts as a locomotive for a trackless train of the trailers. The train moves through the storage area, spotting trailers at intervals.

Quartermaster procured about 2600 warehouse trailers of the type used with the warehouse tractors in the past fiscal year. They're still needed. Essentially four-wheel trucks designed for a big load, they must be steered simply and coupled swiftly to the towing units. They're about 3 x 6 feet in platform dimensions.

Rolling Their Own—Intriguing special purpose units that the Quartermaster is buying are bakery units, (they include ovens, mixing machines, proofing troughs, even overhead rails for moving the dough), mobile laundries, field bath units, clothing and shoe repair shops on wheels.

The mobile laundry includes washers, dryers, boilers and other equipment necessary for cleaning clothes up front. Each unit weighs more than 5 tons. Over 500 of them were bought last year; more are on current procurement. About 400 mobile field bath units were bought, and 250 two-wheel semitrailer units for repairing textiles, clothing and shoes were pur-



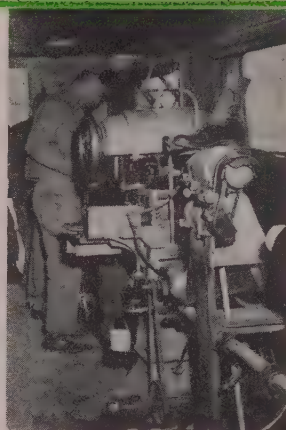
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MOBILE TAILOR SHOP



SHOE REPAIR UNIT

chased during the last fiscal year.

Blitz Again—One of the biggest items unit-wise is the 5-gallon cans, famous as the "blitz" cans in World War II. They're used for water and for gasoline — not interchangeably, though—the water cans are more hygienically finished inside. Procurements in 1951 of water cans will run around 1.5 million, gasoline cans 7.5 million. Quartermaster also buys 55-gallon drums, took 2.5 million last fiscal year.

An interesting sidelight on the Corps' petroleum products containers is still another mobile unit that its Research & Development Branch is testing. It's a drum cleaning and reconditioning plant that can get into rear battle areas and de-dent and otherwise recondition drums. Not only will a great deal of steel be saved by such a mobile plant, but shipping time and storage space can be cut—both of which are important during a war.

Quartermaster, though not a big customer, is a steady one, returning to metalworking's store year in and year out. Prosaic as most of its purchases are they make up two-thirds of the phrase "best-clothed, best-fed best-equipped Army in the world."

DTA Outlines Rail Flood Loss

Preliminary surveys of damage done to transportation by the Kansas-Missouri flood, show railroads are the heaviest sufferers. Chief emergency need, Defense Transportation Administration officials report, is for steel to repair and replace flood-swept railroad bridges and damaged electrical apparatus of rolling stock.

In yards of the several roads more than 7000 freight cars were under water, 2000 were derailed and about 70 diesel units were submerged. Disposal of 2500 carloads of water-soaked grain presents another hard problem.

Outlining steel requirements, DTA

says National Production Authority already has arranged for shipment to replace the Rock Island's Topeka mainline bridge; the Santa Fe needs steel for two spans at Topeka; other roads must replace or repair smaller structures. Little rail was actually lost, but much was bent too badly for use and will be replaced.

Columbia Helps Control Smog

Columbia Steel Co.'s smog control equipment is complete and in operation at the company's Torrance, Los Angeles, plant.

The U. S. Steel subsidiary installed electrostatic precipitators at outlets of its four open hearth furnaces where they act as magnets to purify smoke and fumes. More than 13,000 cubic feet of waste gas per minute is diverted to the cleaning equipment, which also removes between 75 and 240 pounds of metallic dust every hour in the cleaning process.

Research Corp. of New York designed and built the precipitators at a cost of \$600,000. Construction took about 13 months.

Dallas Builds at \$75 Million Pace

Construction is in progress in Dallas on 31 major structures—costing \$500,000 or more each—with an aggregate cost conservatively estimated at \$75 million.

Largest project is the 36-story Republic National Bank Building. Largest metalworking job is Ford Motor Co.'s \$4.5 million assembly plant addition.

Westinghouse Powers New Mill

A huge single flywheel generator set—powered by a 9000-horsepower motor—will be made by Westinghouse Electric Corp. as part of a multi-million dollar contract awarded by Detroit Steel Corp. Westinghouse is committed to supply the electrical

equipment for Detroit Steel's new 72-inch slabbing mill to be erected in Detroit.

The generator's 65-ton flywheel has a capacity of 250,000 horsepower-second stored energy and is expected to insure uniform drain on the mill's power supply.

Other equipment included in the order are the mill's main and auxiliary drives, alternating current and direct current auxiliary power equipment.

Koppers Enters Metalcast Co.

An interest in Continuous Metalcast Co. Inc., New York, has been sold to Koppers Co. Inc., whose Freyn Engineering Department will make and sell continuous casting machines licensed by the New York firm.

Koppers joins three other companies, Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp., Scovill Mfg. Co. and American Metals Co. Ltd. on the board of directors of Continuous Metalcast. Interests of the others were not diminished by Koppers' entry. Irving Rossi, Metalcast president, says licensing to use the processes will continue through his company.

Louis Allis Passes Half Century

Louis Allis Co., electric motor manufacturer in Milwaukee since 1901, celebrates its 50th anniversary this year. Founded by Tom Watson as the Mechanical Appliance Co., the title was changed in 1922 to bear the name of its president and director from 1903 to 1945.

Anniversary issue of the company publication, "Louis Allis Messenger," says the firm made direct current motors in an abandoned shoe factory for five years to get its start. After moving to its present location at 427 E. Stewart St. in 1906, a first line of alternating current motors was developed in 1908.

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The hottest plating news in years around Detroit is the "white brass" underplate which may be the answer to the shortage of nickel for automakers

DETROIT

PLATERS supplying automotive hardware and trim details—and that includes the captive plating shops of the industry—have been slowly going berserk trying to figure out some way to circumvent the shortage of nickel and still turn out bright metal parts that will look right and stand a chance of fending off attacks of road grime and weather.

Their efforts have taken many directions, and none of them too successful. There is bright zinc plate, with a bake to take out the iridescence, and a chromate dip and a clear lacquer. There is a straight copper plate with a flash of chrome and perhaps some lacquer. There are other variants, but none of them will stand up under the salt spray test to the specified limits of the old copper-nickel-chrome combination. True, the cars have been going out, with precautionary tags attached telling owners to go easy on cleaning bright metal.

In Sight?—The answer may be in sight. Just as it always does, the auto industry when hard pressed turns on the heat and sooner or later, usually with the co-operation of suppliers, an answer is found. This time it is shaping up in form of what is called a "white brass" underplate to take the place of copper and nickel. It's the hottest plating news in years around Detroit and has been kept tightly under wraps.

"White brass" plating is a development credited to DuPont. Essentially it involves a cyanide type of plating solution, with certain brighteners and addition agents, plus anodes of approximately 80 per cent zinc and 20 per cent copper. It can be applied to any metal—die cast zinc, brass, steel—with conventional equipment and with a plating cycle slightly slower than bright zinc. Thus far, maximum thickness has been 0.0003-0.0004-inch, which is followed immediately by a chrome flash since the white brass will tarnish unless thoroughly rinsed in cold water and dried. Samples of the new plating have withstood up to 48 hours in the salt spray test, against 16 hours now

written into specifications covering copper-nickel-chrome.

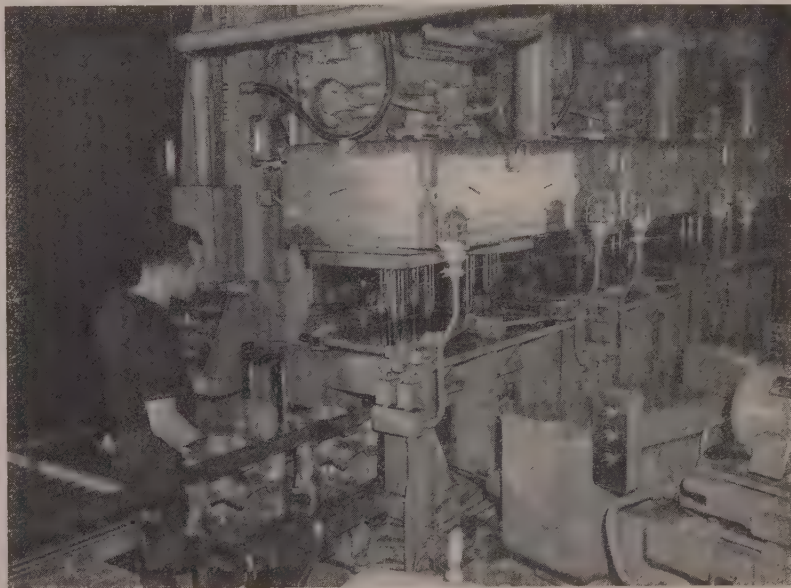
GM Tries It—General Motors has just approved the method in its specification No. 4390-M and the Ternstedt Division of the corporation has at least one 400-gallon tank in production, more being scheduled shortly. An independent plating plant has been experimenting with white brass for well over two months and is highly enthusiastic over the possibilities. At present it will be confined to interior parts, although this company feels it will be only a matter of time until the brittleness encountered in thicknesses over 0.0003-inch will be licked and the coating can be used on plated parts for exterior use.

Principal solution addition agent used thus far has been molybdc acid, made from molybdc oxide. At first it was feared restrictions on molybdenum might put the binger on molybdc oxide. Now it appears platers can use up to 200 pounds of contained molybdenum per month, which means 300 pounds of oxide, enough to take care of considerable

volume of plating solution, since it is used in only small amounts. Further, it is understood some new types of addition agents are about to be introduced which will dispense with the need for molybdc acid and permit wide variations in current densities, perhaps as much as 5-100 amperes per square foot.

Flies in the Ointment—White brass plating is nothing any job shop can launch into overnight. Control of the system is critical. Anodes must be cast carefully of high purity metal, not the easiest thing for a foundry to do in view of high percentage of zinc. The beauty of the deal is that parts come out of the solution with a mirror finish, requiring no buffing, and after a chromium strike cannot be differentiated from the standard copper-nickel-chrome finish. In fact, some parts people insist that if everything goes well you can forget about ever going back to the copper and nickel type of underplate.

While on the subject of plating, it is interesting to note work of the University of Michigan's engineering research institute in the development of a light weight storage battery capable of starting an engine at 65 below zero. Weight was saved by



UNTOUCHED BY HUMAN HANDS: Automatic transmission cases progress through 190 milling, drilling, boring and spot facing operations at Ford's Cincinnati plant. The transfer machine consists of a line of machine tools joined by conveyors. It measures 152 feet long and has 76 work stations

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substituting for the conventional lead-antimony grid cores lighter metals such as aluminum, brass, iron or copper which are given an electroplating of pure lead. The coating protects the lighter cores from the sulphuric acid electrolyte and improves the battery's performance over a wide temperature range. Research work was done for Army Ordnance.

Money Being Made

There's money being made around this town—barrels of it. Some of it is sticking to the fingers of the hard and brittle "downtown" boys who figure out cute setups like selling the Detroit Tank Arsenal gears for \$17 which cost only \$4 to manufacture. More seems to be just rolling into the till of older established companies trying to keep pace with the demands of a combined auto-defense program.

Caught in the whirlwind was Brig. Gen. D. J. Crawford, former head of the Ordnance Department's Tank Arsenal here, fired for accepting a Washington hotel room as a guest of a contractor and for sending steel from Detroit to Maryland where he was constructing a sailboat in his odd hours. In the motor capital the distribution of largesse from buyer to seller is almost routine in these times.

Machine Tool Talk Just Talk

Talk of hiring the automotive industry to build machine tools in the present emergency is pretty largely just that. Some months ago the Air Force at Wright Field decided it needed several hundred Bullard automatics and that the place to get them was Fisher Body Division of General Motors, inasmuch as this company built some Bullards at one time during the last war. So, Bullard sent blueprints and specifications along to Fisher Body, where the engineers went into a compounded huddle to try to arrive at a price. What they came up with was a figure about 2½ times Bullard's own ceiling prices on the vertical turret lathes, so the whole pitch was classified as "operation futile" and still rests in a pigeonhole somewhere in Washington.

The machine builder was perfectly willing to co-operate but knew, as did most of the people at Fisher Body, that you cannot build machine tools in an automotive plant. Special equipment is required, particularly for precision finishing, which the auto plant just does not have. It can rough out components perhaps but when it comes to turning out the

Auto, Truck Output

U. S. and Canada

	1951	1950
January	645,688	609,878
February	658,918	505,593
March	802,737	610,680
April	680,281	585,705
May	695,898	732,161
June	653,673	897,853
Six Mos.	4,137,195	3,941,878
July		746,801
August		842,335
September		760,847
October		796,010
November		833,874
December		671,622
Week Ended	1951	1950
July 7	98,087	137,731
July 14	117,747	194,073
July 21	128,017	187,339
July 28	131,462	191,978
Aug. 4	100,000*	175,572

Sources: Automobile Manufacturers Association, Ward's Automotive Reports. *Preliminary.

finished machine it would require an investment beyond all reason, not only in equipment but in personnel also, which would make the whole thing look pretty silly.

Ford Ups Rouge Steel Capacity

Ford Motor Co. will spend \$43 million to expand and modernize steel operations in its Rouge plant, adding 190,000 tons of annual finished steel capacity, says Del S. Harder, vice president—manufacturing.

Scheduled are 37 new coke ovens, a new sinter plant, installation of new pig casting equipment and extensive improvements in the open-hearth and rolling mill facilities. A portion of the added coke capacity is earmarked for the new Ford foundry in Cleveland. Alterations in the blooming mill will permit rolling of slabs up to 60 inches wide. Coil weights in the cold rolling mill will be increased up to an average 87 per cent.

In addition to facility and by-product improvement, a new 647-foot ore carrier is scheduled for completion for the start of the 1953 shipping season on the Great Lakes. It will be the third Ford vessel in lake service.

Even after expanding, the company will continue to buy more than 50 per cent of its steel.

McLouth Seeks Financing

The steel industry in eastern Michigan would like to know what Don McLouth proposes to do with his \$96 million certificate of necessity for expansion of his mill at Trenton, Mich.

In the first place, of course, the certificate does not produce any money, despite the evidence of the government's faith in McLouth's plans. Financing is something else; and that is what is now in the works. Meanwhile, McLouth is saying nothing, although the obvious deduction is that he plans to build docks, blast furnace, coke ovens and open hearths at his expansive downriver site. These facilities, plus a cold mill, will supplement the present four electric furnaces and hot strip mill. The electric is now in process of being converted to top-charge design, two scheduled to be ready by the middle of August, the other two a month later.

Decision to invest in the conventional blast furnace and open-hearth steelmaking facilities is taken by some as ample proof that electric cannot compete price-wise in a normal steel market; by others as nothing more than insurance against future contingencies on the part of McLouth. He may even be able to work out an arrangement where big Detroit-area customers like General Motors, Ford, Briggs, etc., will pick up the tab for the new installations—six in all—on a loan basis in exchange for steel priorities.

Chrysler Triples L.A. Plant

Chrysler Corp. is tripling the size of its Maywood plant in Los Angeles to make room for increased defense production in that area. Eventual use for the expanded facility will be an increase in the company's West Coast operations on its entire line of passenger cars.

GM Sales, Earnings Slip

Operations of General Motors during the second quarter of 1951 reflected the developing requirements of the national defense program, say C. E. Wilson, president, and Alfred P. Sloan Jr., chairman of the board.

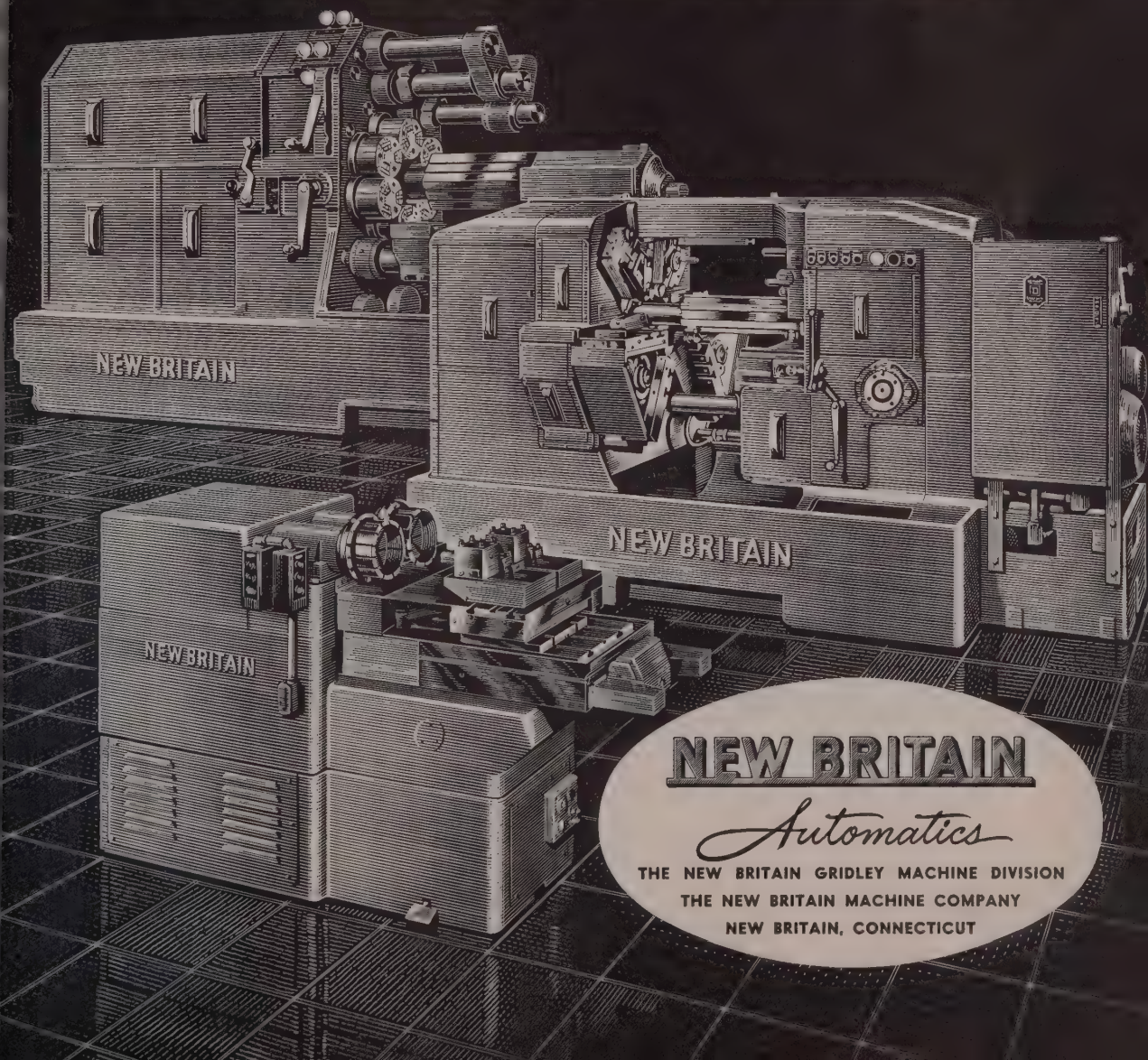
Aggregate net sales of all GM products totaled \$1921 million and net income was \$139 million for the second quarter of 1951. For the second quarter last year, net sales were \$1963 million and net income was \$273 million. Total payrolls were \$475 million in the second quarter and \$957 million in the first half of 1951, compared with \$455 million and \$859 million respectively in the like periods of 1950.

The number of men and women working for GM during the second quarter of 1951 averaged 477,796, compared with an average of 492,046 in the preceding quarter and 463,861 during the second quarter of 1950.

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The Business Trend

Index of industrial activity moves sideways as some segments of industry experience a slackening in business while others boom along at record pace

CURRENT ANSWER to that everyday question "How's business?" is that activity in the week ended July 28 was moving sideways at a level slightly below that for the corresponding time last year and that there were indications the sideways movement would give way in the week ended Aug. 4 to a decline.

Reflecting the week of July 28, STEEL's industrial production index registered a preliminary 213 per cent of the 1936-1939 average. Final figure for the week ended July 21 was also 213 per cent. Both of these weeks produced index figures that were slightly below those for the corresponding weeks of last year. The week ended July 28 was the third consecutive one in which STEEL's index was below that for the comparable period of 1950.

Slow-Down for Autos ...

Much of the failure of the current index to measure up to that of last year is traceable to lowered produc-

tion in the automobile industry. In the week ended July 28 the outturn of passenger cars and trucks in the United States and Canada totaled 131,462 units compared with 191,978 in the like period of last year, says *Ward's Automotive Reports*.

Production schedules for the week ended Aug. 4 indicated the poorest passenger car assembly week since December, 1949. Output was expected to drop to the 60,000-70,000 unit range, which is about two-thirds of the production during the preceding week. A drop this sharp could be expected to pull down the overall industrial production index for the week.

Steel scarcity, long a problem with the auto industry, can't be called the principal stumbling block to auto production now. The major producer of autos is reported to have a steel inventory for more than 30 days' production at current rates; this is said to be more tonnage than this producer has had on hand for over a year.

Main reasons for the projected cut-

back in auto output are lagging sales and labor difficulties; shortages of materials in some instances can be blamed too.

Big Business for Steel ...

Although auto production is down, the demand for steel for other products and defense uses is keeping steel ingot production above rated capacity. Despite the heat and other seasonal influences which normally cut into steel production in the summer, steel-making furnaces were scheduled to produce over 2 million tons of steel in the week ended Aug. 4. This, said the American Iron & Steel Institute, would mark the 22nd consecutive week in which steel output exceeded 2 million tons.

Output of steel for ingots and castings in the week ended Aug. 4 was scheduled to be 2,029,000 net tons, compared with 2,027,000 tons in the preceding week. In the like week a year ago, production was 1,919,600 tons.

Electrified ...

Even though there are increasing signs of caution in business, the in-

BAROMETERS of BUSINESS

	LATEST PERIOD*	PRIOR WEEK	MONTH AGO	YEAR AGO
INDUSTRY	Steel Ingot Output (per cent of capacity)†	101.5	101.5	103.0
	Electric Power Distributed (million kilowatt hours)	7,005	6,975	6,898
	Bituminous Coal Production (daily av.—1000 tons)	1,713	1,407	1,839
	Petroleum Production (daily av.—1000 bbl)	6,160	6,166	6,181
	Construction Volume (ENR—Unit \$1,000,000)	\$251.9	\$361.1	\$316.7
	Automobile and Truck Output (Ward's number units)	131,462	131,419	156,105

*Dates on request. †Weekly capacities, net tons: 1951, 1,999,035; 1st half 1950, 1,906,268; 2nd half 1950, 1,928,721.

TRADE	Freight Car Loadings (unit—1000 cars)	810†	805	822	845
	Business Failures (Dun & Bradstreet, number)	184	133	188	160
	Currency in Circulation (in millions of dollars)‡	\$27,706	\$27,781	\$27,601	\$26,915
	Department Store Sales (changes from like wk. a yr. ago)‡	-22%	-10%	+6%	+46%

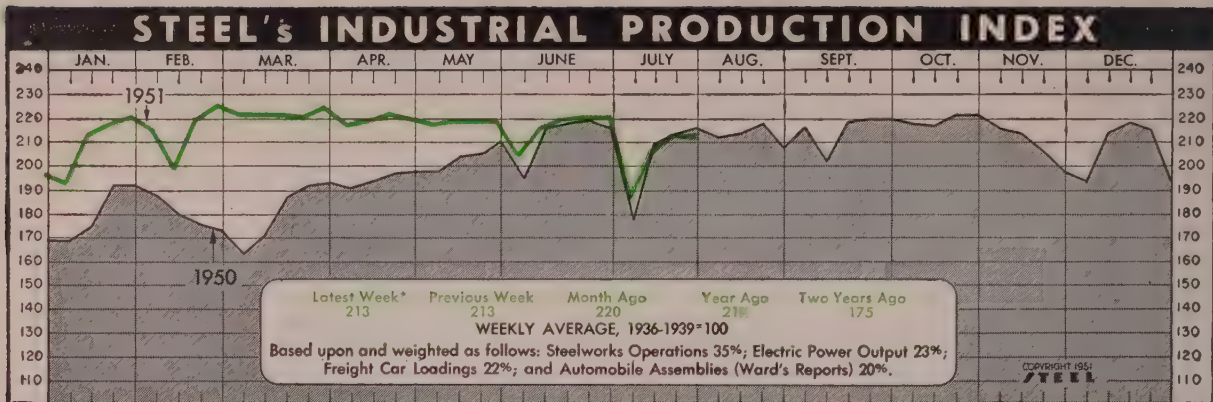
†Preliminary. ‡Federal Reserve Board.

FINANCE	Bank Clearings (Dun & Bradstreet—millions)	\$14,998	\$15,519	\$16,610	\$14,222
	Federal Gross Debt (billions)	\$255.3	\$255.0	\$254.4	\$257.4
	Bond Volume, NYSE (millions)	\$15.6	\$13.7	\$14.4	\$33.7
	Stocks Sales, NYSE (thousands of shares)	7,864	6,394	8,724	11,876
	Loans and Investments (billions)†	\$70.1	\$70.1	\$70.4	\$67.9
	United States Gov't. Obligations Held (millions)†	\$30,739	\$30,697	\$31,186	\$36,222

†Member banks, Federal Reserve System.

PRICES	STEEL's Weighted Finished Steel Price Index††	171.92	171.92	171.92	156.69
	STEEL's Nonferrous Metal Price Index‡	226.0	226.0	226.0	194.2
	All Commodities‡	178.0	178.7	180.8	164.6
	Metals and Metal Products‡	188.2	188.2	188.2	172.8

†Bureau of Labor Statistics Index, 1926=100. ‡1936-1939=100. ††1935-1939=100.



dustrial activity level is still high enough that coupled with the trend of increasing use of electric power in industry, in the home and on the farm the consumption of electricity is again near the alltime high mark. Electricity output is from 12 to 13 per cent over that of this time last year.

Boon to the Coal Industry . . .

High production of electricity is expected to continue and bring about a record usage of coal by electric utilities this year. Furthermore, says the U. S. Department of the Interior, the rapid expansion of the electric

power industry is expected to lead to a steady rise in the demand for coal for production of electricity in the next ten years. Electric utilities now account for about 20 per cent of total coal consumption, the department pointed out.

Bituminous coal production thus far this year is ahead of that for the comparable period of 1950. Output through July 21 was 286,387,000 tons, compared with 257,374,000 through July 22 of last year.

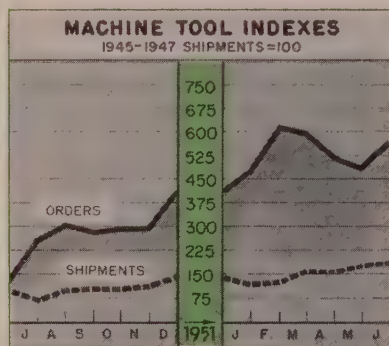
Coal production was back nearly to normal in the week ended July 21, when output was estimated at 10,280,000 net tons. In the preceding two weeks when most of the nation's

miners were on vacation, output was off sharply.

Radio, TV Production Down . . .

Circumstances combined to reduce radio and television output in the second quarter of 1951 below that of the first quarter. But despite shortages of critical materials, increased government regulations and lowered demand for radio and television sets the total output in the first half of this year exceeded that of the like period of last year.

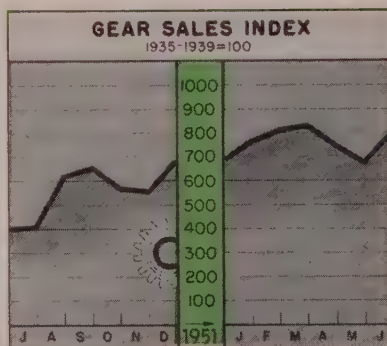
Second quarter production, reports the Radio-Television Manufacturers Association, was 3,792,338 radios and



Machine Tool Indexes

	New Orders		Shipments	
	1951	1950	1951	1950
Jan.	475.4	99.7	114.3	52.8
Feb.	615.5	89.2	123.8	56.1
Mar.	590.3	107.4	158.9	75.3
Apr.	516.1	98.9	157.7	61.6
May	483.0	116.4	175.1	82.5
June	567.0	124.1	183.5	91.9
July	253.1	...	68.3	...
Aug.	305.1	...	95.7	...
Sept.	280.6	...	101.6	...
Oct.	289.6	...	100.9	...
Nov.	291.9	...	110.9	...
Dec.	410.1	...	135.7	...

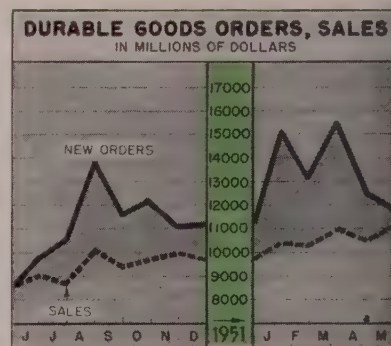
National Machine Tool Builders' Assn.



Gear Sales Index

	1935-1939=100		
	1951	1950	1949
January	764.6	280.2	320.7
February	809.1	272.9	282.3
March	830.7	358.4	299.1
April	742.5	328.6	339.0
May	687.1	363.1	250.1
June	800.9	401.0	227.8
July	410.7	193.1	...
August	617.4	262.0	...
September ...	654.5	224.9	...
October	564.8	242.3	...
November	554.9	230.7	...
December	680.4	242.8	...

American Gear Mfrs. Association.



Durable Goods Orders, Sales

	New Orders		Sales*	
	1951	1950	1951	1950
Jan.	15,123	7,479	10,398	6,817
Feb.	13,153	7,213	10,338	7,103
Mar.	15,478	8,508	10,993	7,643
Apr.	12,614	7,857	10,532	7,488
May	11,763	8,514	11,100	8,605
June	9,814	...	9,030
July	10,553	...	8,670	...
Aug.	13,863	...	10,060	...
Sept.	11,500	...	9,392	...
Oct.	12,171	...	9,671	...
Nov.	10,621	...	9,730	...
Dec.	11,379	...	9,794	...

* Seasonally adjusted. U. S. Office of Business Economics.

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1,134,836 TV sets, compared with 4,235,597 radios and 2,199,669 television sets in the first quarter. Produced in the first half of this year were 8,027,935 radios and 3,334,505 TV sets, compared with 7,333,600 radios and 3,136,300 TV sets in the first half of 1950.

A Fair Month . . .

Home laundry equipment manufacturers found that June was as good, and in some cases better, than May. Factory sales of standard-size household washers in June totaled 253,119 units, compared with 253,942 in May, the American Home Laundry Manufacturers' Association reports. Sales of automatic dryers in June aggregated 39,908 units, compared with 32,292 in May, while sales of ironers in June totaled 24,500 units, compared with 24,200 in May.

Hard To Believe . . .

The government's wholesale price index declined for the eighth consecutive week in the week ended

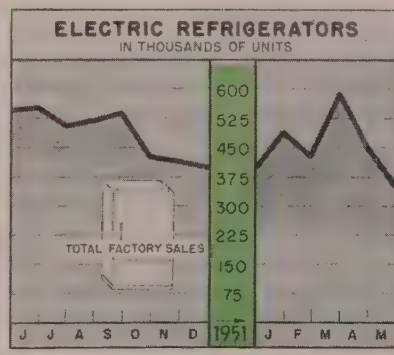
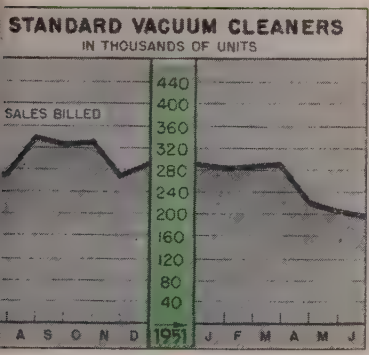
July 24, although it's hard to believe if you've just completed shopping for the week's supply of food. Index for the latest week was 178.0 per cent of the 1926 average. In the preceding week it was 178.7.

Trends Fore and Aft . . .

Continuing their climb, shipments of new equipment and repair parts by foundry equipment makers in June totaled \$3,271,790. On the other hand, orders placed in June for new equipment dropped to \$1,810,435, lowest level in over a year . . . Gear sales in June, 800.9 per cent of the 1935-1939 average, were the highest since March . . . General Refractories Co.'s shipments by volume in the first half of 1951 exceeded those of any previous six-months period . . . Order backlog and indicated schedules of Thompson Products Inc., Cleveland, make the company believe that 1951 will be its largest year and that substantially higher levels will be reached in the following two years. . . Business failures in June fell 7 per cent below those of May.

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Standard Vacuum Cleaners

Sales Billed—Units

	1951	1950	1949
Jan.	252,305	249,150	228,769
Feb.	261,572	263,515	241,267
Mar.	290,242	361,014	309,897
Apr.	227,216	292,664	252,656
May	201,983	278,645	222,850
June	194,548	250,190	207,354
July		279,967	161,920
Aug.		341,232	219,909
Sept.		327,524	250,036
Oct.		331,445	272,520
Nov.		265,310	253,516
Dec.		288,756	265,513

Total 3,529,412 2,886,514

Vacuum Cleaner Mfrs. Assn.

Electric Refrigerators

Total Factory Sales—Units

	1951	1950	1949
Jan.	488,607	375,856	396,329
Feb.	423,420	461,256	343,539
Mar.	591,449	586,293	382,861
Apr.	445,036	546,279	335,092
May	348,423	542,865	341,933
June		549,740	310,780
July		507,029	327,429
Aug.		518,359	314,839
Sept.		535,002	326,149
Oct.		420,431	265,575
Nov.		411,201	230,258
Dec.		394,268	272,636

Total 5,848,579 3,852,420

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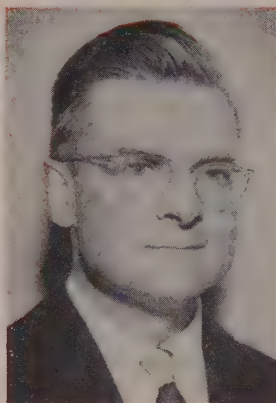
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Ferro Engineering Co., Cleveland, elected **G. A. Peterson** as president to succeed the late **Walter M. Charman**. **Walter M. Charman Jr.** was named executive vice president and **P. R. Ward** was elected a vice president. **A. C. Bishop**, who helped organize Ferro in 1929, and has been secretary as well as a member of the board of directors since the company was formed, was elected chairman of the board.

Perfect Circle Corp., Hagerstown, Ind., elected **W. B. Prosser** as a vice president. He was named general manager in 1947. He joined the organization in 1925 as a salesman for the General Piston Ring Co. in Tipton, Ind., where he later became plant manager.

Managers of **Cleveland Graphite Bronze Co.**'s new branch plants are: **John M. McKinley**, manager of the Caldwell, O., plant, and **Matthew J. Fleming Jr.**, manager at McConnellsville, O.

A. S. Cogan and **W. M. Bain** were appointed to the ammunition department, research and development division, **Olin Industries Inc.**, East Alton, Ill.

Edward P. Bullard III was appointed manager of the new **Pratt & Whitney Aircraft** plant at North Haven, Conn. The plant will manufacture engine parts for assembly in the main East Hartford plant of P&WA, division of United Aircraft Corp. Mr. Bullard for the last 18 years was associated with Bullard Co., Bridgeport, Conn., in the design and manufacture of machine tools. He was

assistant general manager, vice president in charge of manufacturing and a director of the Bridgeport firm. More recently he designed special machinery for manufacturing jet engine components.

Robert R. Simons was elected vice president of **Sharonsteel Products Co. of Pennsylvania**, a warehouse subsidiary of Sharon Steel Corp., Sharon, Pa. He succeeds **T. J. Moore Jr.**, who will devote his entire time to **Brainard Steel Co.**, Warren, O., also a Sharon subsidiary.

W. J. Maurer was named general production manager of the six plants of **Detroit Steel Products Co.**, Detroit. Associated with the concern since 1936, he served on production in the Washington office and in sales engineering. Since 1945 he has carried out special assignments on manufacturing problems. He recently returned from England after two years' study of foreign galvanizing methods. **John E. Bloomstrom** was named director of industrial relations.

Thomas L. Hammond, a vice president of **Whiting Corp.**, Harvey, Ill., was elected to fill the existing vacancy on the board of directors.

Joseph Fargeter was appointed works manager of the new **Willys-Overland Co.** plant in Erie, Pa. The plant was the former Aluminum Forgings Co. **William Jakelsky** is assistant works manager of the unit which will begin operations by Sept. 1. **George Magill** will be purchasing agent.

Albert R. Pfeltz Jr. was appointed assistant manager of sales in U. S.

Steel Co.'s Cincinnati district sales office. He was assistant to the manager of sales in the company's New York district office.

William B. Yeager has resigned from the positions of vice president, secretary-treasurer and member of the board of directors of **Menasco Mfg. Co.**, Burbank, Calif. **B. R. Fondren** was elected assistant secretary, assistant treasurer and director of the company's finance division.

L. Robert Vitkin, formerly plant manager of **American Flange & Mfg. Co.** in Chicago, was appointed vice president in charge of production of all company plants with headquarters in New York. **Richard L. Parish Jr.** was appointed vice president—sales.

Robert F. Hodgson was appointed sales manager, **Hydraulic Equipment Co.**, Cleveland. Associated with the company since 1945, he served in various capacities in both sales and engineering, more recently as chief engineer, in which position he will continue.

Clark A. Sutton was appointed plant manager, **Columbia Steel & Shafting Co.**, Pittsburgh. **J. Ross Maxwell** was made superintendent of the bar mill, and **Malcolm C. Hulse**, superintendent of the tubing mill.

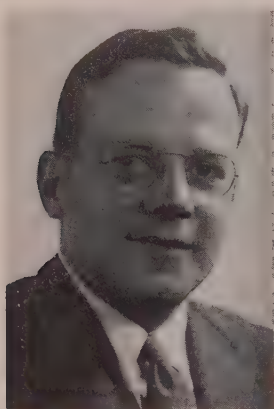
Charles P. Betz was appointed general superintendent, blast furnace division, **Great Lakes Steel Corp.**, Ecorse, Mich., to succeed the late **E. J. McCleary**. Mr. Betz has been assistant manager of the division since 1940.

Frank P. Downey was named divisional vice president and general manager, Pinspotters Division, Buffalo, **American Machine & Foundry Co.**, New York. He is also vice president and director of sales of AMF Pinspotters Inc., company bowling products subsidiary.

Newly elected directors of **Revere Copper & Brass Inc.**, New York, are: **Simon D. Strauss**, vice president in charge of sales for American Smelting & Refining Co., and four Revere vice presidents, **Charles A. Macfie** and **J. Aylmer Doucett** of the New York executive offices, **Irving T. Ben-**

nett, head of the Baltimore division, and **James M. Kennedy**, in charge of the Rome Mfg. Co. Division.

George L. Stewart was appointed executive vice president of **Monarch Steel Co.**, Hammond, Ind. Before



GEORGE L. STEWART
... Monarch Steel exec. V. P.

joining Monarch he was with Edgar T. Ward's Sons Co., division of Columbia Steel & Shafting Co.

Capt. Ellsworth E. Roth, USN, ret., has joined the Kalamazoo, Mich., works of **Ingersoll Products Division**, Borg-Warner Corp., as assistant to the works manager, defense division.

J. J. Nimitz, formerly of Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co., was appointed to the newly created post of director of purchases of **Prentiss-Wabers Products Co.**, Wisconsin Rapids, Wis. **John Gruber** was named purchasing agent.

J. L. Brown, former general sales manager, was elected vice president, **American Vitrified Products Co.**, Cleveland. He continues in direct charge of sales in all company divisions. **E. L. Miller**, vice president and general manager, in addition becomes a member of the company's board of directors.

The Kansas City aircraft plant, now under construction for **Ford Division**, Chicago, Ford Motor Co., will be under direction of the division's defense production operations, of which **W. D. Singleton** is manager. Manager of the new plant will be **B. W. Rose**, until recently manager of the division's assembly plant in Memphis, Tenn., and **Ben D. Mills**, former division manager of production programming and control department, becomes assistant manager. Other appointments to the aircraft plant include: Controller, **M. R. Schermerhorn Jr.**; industrial relations man-

ager, **M. P. Havstad**; purchasing agent, **William P. Boor**; and quality control manager, **James B. Holloway**.

James L. Womer was appointed sales engineer assigned to the Pittsburgh branch sales office of **National Radiator Co.**, Johnstown, Pa., to succeed **Charles F. Morrow** who retires after completing 43 years of service. Mr. Womer will cover western Pennsylvania, eastern Ohio and northern West Virginia.

R. J. Sigafoos was appointed chief engineer, **Twin Coach Co.**, Kent, O. He was formerly engineering assistant to the president and will combine those executive duties with responsibilities of his new post.

Integration of all engineering functions under a single direction was announced by **Automatic Transportation Co.**, Chicago, division of **Yale &**



B. I. ULINSKI
... heads engineering at Automatic

Towne Mfg. Co. **B. I. Ulinski**, as director of engineering, is responsible for management of all engineering functions including research, product design, test engineering and special engineering services. He is succeeded as chief engineer of rider-type Automatic electric industrial trucks by **Ressler A. Dusseau**, formerly his assistant and also manager of engineering cost control.

Dr. L. D. Barrick was appointed manager and **R. M. Locke**, assistant manager of a new fine chemicals division organized by **Pittsburgh Coke & Chemical Co.**, Pittsburgh.

John J. Alexander was appointed superintendent of steam and power at **Republic Steel Corp.**'s Cleveland district to succeed **Harry Stott**, retired after 36 years in that position. *

Heli-Coil Corp., Danbury, Conn., an-

nounces the departure of **Eugene M. Lang**, vice president in charge of manufacturing, to Japan to complete licensing arrangements and set up production of Heli-Coil thread inserts and tools in the plant of Tsugami Mfg. Co. Ltd. of Tokyo.

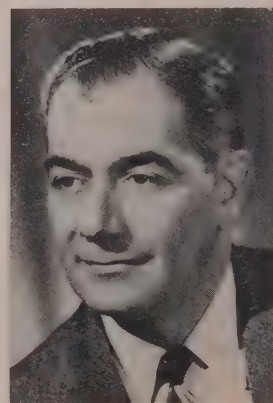
Denison Engineering Co., Columbus, O., appointed **Leonard J. Freeman** as district field engineer for the marketing area of eastern Iowa and northern Illinois with exception of the immediate vicinity of Chicago. Until recently he was associated with the Chicago office of the company as direct factory representative and field engineer in the Chicago area. For the present, he continues headquarters there.

Orvis L. Johnson on July 1 joined the staff of **Superior Steel & Malleable Castings Co.**, Benton Harbor, Mich., as superintendent of the machining and assembly division.

New West Coast manager of **Brainard Steel Co.**, Warren, O., is **Harry W. Hughes**. His office will be in San Francisco as of Aug. 15.

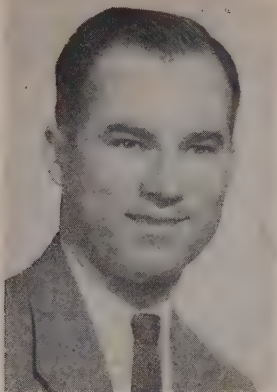
Vincent W. Scully was appointed comptroller, effective Sept. 1, of **Steel Co. of Canada Ltd.**, Toronto, to succeed **S. E. Lebrocq**, retiring after 45 years of service.

Mitchell A. Kapland, vice president, was placed in charge of sales activities for all four divisions of **Cummins-Chicago Corp.**, Chicago. He



MITCHELL A. KAPLAND
... heads div. sales of Cummins

joined this organization in 1949 as general sales manager. In 1950 he was elected vice president of sales for its business machines division, and in 1951 became vice president of all four divisions of the corporation. **Robert E. Mitchell** was promoted to



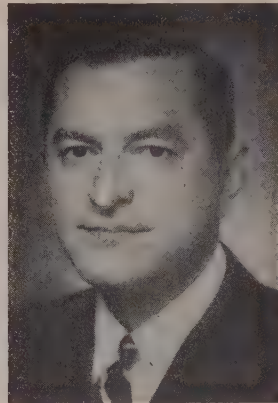
T. W. MERRILL

... Vanadium's chief metallurgical eng.



HOWARD E. HORNICKEL

... Donora Zinc Works supt.



ALBERT L. WILLIAMS

... elected a director of IBM

field sales manager, Cummins Portable Tool Division.

T. W. Merrill was appointed chief metallurgical engineer of **Vanadium Corp. of America**. He transfers from the plant at Bridgeville, Pa., to executive offices in New York.

A. E. Carter was named manager, manufacturing department, **Dearborn Motors Corp.**, Birmingham, Mich. Prior to joining Dearborn he was works manager for a division of Motor Products Corp., and before that was with Kelvinator Division, Nash-Kelvinator Corp., for 20 years.

Lindberg Steel Treating Co. made the following new appointments at its Chicago plant: **E. J. Pavesic**, director of research; **N. O. Kates**, works metallurgist; and **F. J. Minch**, metallurgist.

Louis B. Vanderhorst was appointed sales manager of **Merz Engineering Inc.**, Indianapolis. He has been connected with the company as sales engineer for a number of years.

Howard E. Hornickel was named works superintendent of **American Steel & Wire Co.'s Donora Zinc Works** at Donora, Pa. He succeeds **M. M. Neale**, retired. Mr. Neale has been with Donora Zinc Works since its establishment in 1915 and works superintendent since 1946. Mr. Hornickel in 1948 was appointed assistant works superintendent.

Charles B. Cobun, for many years associated with United States Steel Co., has joined the Chicago district sales office of **Heppenstall Co.**, Pittsburgh forgings manufacturer. He will be assistant to J. C. Patton Jr., district representative.

Harry F. Fischer was appointed industrial sales manager for **Limbach Co.**, Pittsburgh. Mr. Fischer will coordinate the company's various production departments.

Brooks McCormick was appointed joint managing director of **International Harvester Co. of Great Britain Ltd.**, with headquarters in Doncaster, England.

International Business Machines Corp., New York, elected **Albert L. Williams** a director to succeed **John L. Barton**, resident manager at the Endicott, N. Y., plant, who retired Aug. 1 after 51 years' continuous service. Mr. Williams is vice president and treasurer.

William R. Heath succeeds **Nathan R. Johnson**, retired, as a director and factory manager, **Buffalo Forge Co.**, Buffalo, and assumes the new title of manufacturing director. Mr. Heath has been chief engineer since 1948. **John E. Gill** succeeds to that position. He was in charge of pressure blower and axial flow fan sales. **George P. Schivley** was promoted to plant manager after serving as plant superintendent since 1943.

Kenneth P. Bowen, vice president in charge of manufacturing at **Northrop Aircraft Inc.**, Hawthorne, Calif., was elected chairman of the manufacturing methods committee for the western region of the Aircraft Industries Committee.

OBITUARIES...

William C. Johnson, 49, executive vice president of **Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co.**, Milwaukee, died July 26. He was a member of the board of directors and also a member of the executive committee of the board. In addition Mr. Johnson served as chairman of the board of Canadian Allis-Chalmers Ltd. He had been associated with the company for the last 27 years.

Charles B. Cole, 62, president, **Tool Equipment Sales Co.**, Chicago, died July 23.

Morton O. Snediker, who retired ten

years ago as chief engineer of **Powers Regulator Co.**, Chicago, died July 20. He was a pioneer in the automatic heat regulator industry.

Eugene L. Beisel, vice president, **Moto-Truc Co.**, Cleveland, died July 12.

Edgar Meyers, secretary-treasurer and a director of **Rockwell Mfg. Co.**, Pittsburgh, until his retirement last January, died July 23.

Oscar C. Roesen, 63, president of **Wood Newspaper Machinery Corp.**, New York, died July 28.

Daniel E. McCarthy, 45, production

control manager, **Springfield Machine & Stamping Co.**, Detroit, died July 23.

T. J. Mosher, 74, chairman of the board of **Mosher Steel Co.**, Dallas, died of a heart attack July 22 while on a business trip in Houston. He became president of the company in 1944, and chairman in 1948.

G. P. Dempler, engineer and president of **George P. Dempler Co.**, Pittsburgh, which he founded in the early 1920s, died July 28.

Herbert H. Foster, 47, general purchasing agent, **Lincoln-Mercury Division, Ford Motor Co.**, Detroit, died July 20 following a heart attack.

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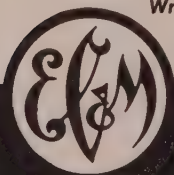
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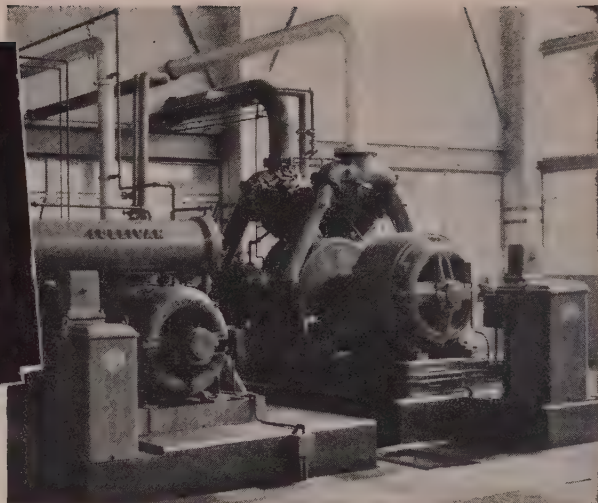
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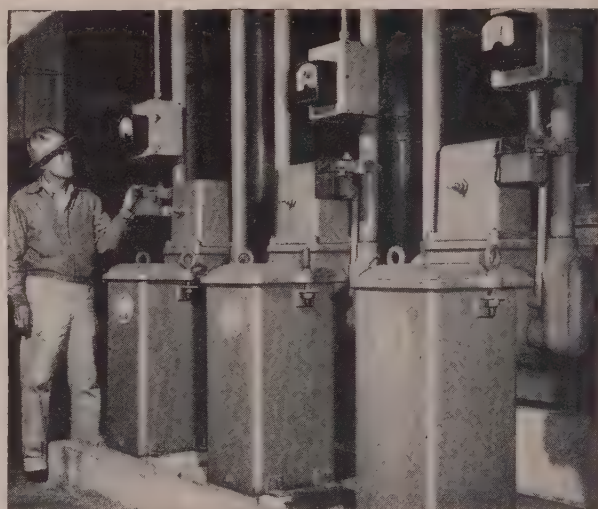
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BORON STEEL ARRIVALS—Two new series of boron-treated steels are being made available. One is the high-manganese type 14BXX, comprising three grades with 0.70-1.00 manganese in two carbon ranges, 0.35 and 0.55, and 1.20-1.55 manganese in the higher carbon, plus 0.20-0.35 silicon. The other is 50BXX, a chromium-manganese-silicon type made in ten carbon ranges from 0.15 to 0.60, with manganese running 0.70-1.00, silicon 0.20-0.35 and chromium either 0.25-0.40 or 0.35-0.60. All have minimum 0.0005 per cent boron.

CHASING LITTLE LEAKS—Faulty foundry or welding practice in the production of valves for nuclear reactors and atomic piles, resulting in leaky units, has been trimmed 25 per cent by use of a special detector in which a capillary tube emitting a helium tracer is moved over the surface of the valve. If a leak is present, helium will be drawn through it and inside the valve to a meter which registers its presence.

NI-MO-V FOR WELDING ARMOR—Investigation of 150 different compositions of low-alloy welding rod in a Navy-sponsored project to find a ferritic electrode which would weld low-alloy armor steels without either preheat or postheat and would develop 125,000 psi tensile strength in the weld, with maximum ductility, showed a nickel-molybdenum-vanadium composition meeting all requirements. Limiting figure for moisture content is 0.2 per cent for crack-free welds at this strength level. Weld cracking and porosity in low-alloy steels often are caused by hydrogen which may derive from the rod coating or moisture therein.

NAMES STICK—Self-adhesive metal nameplates of 0.003-inch aluminum foil, anodized and dyed, are available. No fastening devices are needed because of the high-tensile bonding material on the back. They are said to stick well to metals, porcelain, Bakelite, polystyrene, glass, wood, paints or enamels.

FATIGUE STRENGTH IS IT—Shot peening of the surfaces of stressed parts to improve service life by reducing the tendency toward failure from fatigue is a widely accepted commercial practice. The experts on stress analysis still toss the ball back and forth on such factors as type and size of shot, surface treatment prior to peening, etc. What it comes down to is how properly to express or measure the effectiveness of shot peening, acknowledg-

ing, of course, that it is effective. Expressed in terms of improvement in fatigue strength, not fatigue life, some interesting variations are observed. —p. 72

JET PARTS ARE TOUGH—Aircraft engine builders taking on production assignments in the field of turbojet power plants are bumping up against unique problems in machining. Alloys to be handled, particularly in parts like turbine wheel disks and blades, hot section casings and rings are often punishing on tools, while shapes of the parts are awkward for standard machine tool equipment. The answer was simply to develop new types of machines and to adapt tooling to the required precision. The veil is lifted on a few examples of how this is being done. —p. 76

SPRAY WITHOUT AIR—Electrostatic spraying of varnishes, enamels and lacquers on a variety of metal products is economical in terms of paint consumption, compared with conventional air-gun booth spraying, but there has still been some overspray. To correct this, comes a modification of the process in which the coating material is atomized and charged right in the spraying head, dispensing with the need for compressed air and spray booths. The "guns" have a cone-shaped spinning head which directs the liquid coating to parts passing by on a conveyor. Some engineers have wondered whether there may be trouble in store from clogging of these heads. Time will tell. —p. 80

SAVE THE SURFACE—Surface hardening of stainless steel may sound like gilding the lily, yet most types of stainless are relatively weak in terms of wear resistance. A modification of the nitriding treatment is being used to surface harden all the AISI 300, 400 and 500 types of stainless, the principal obstacle to its success having been the thin layer of chromium oxide on the surface which prevents formation of chromium nitride. This can be reduced with nascent hydrogen. In the process, maximum hardness is developed 0.002-inch below the surface. Conventional furnace equipment is used. —p. 82

PACKAGED DISTILLATION—Air separation plants of standard types and sizes, for production of liquid oxygen, nitrogen and gases such as technical argon on either a large or small scale are being offered by a British manufacturer. They are the first of their type to be built regularly in Great Britain. All feature simplicity, ease of erection and operation, low headroom and compact layout. —A.H.A.

SHOT PEENING

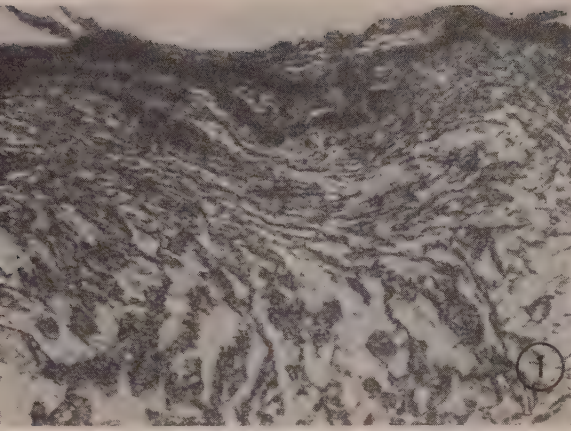


Fig. 1—Photomicrograph showing effect of shot peening on surface layers, depth of penetration being approximately 0.0014-inch. X1000 (From work of O. J. Horger and the author)

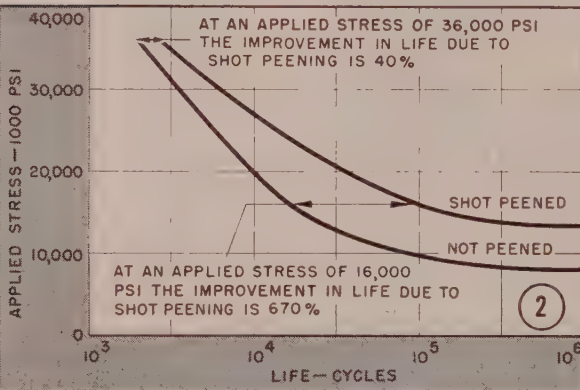
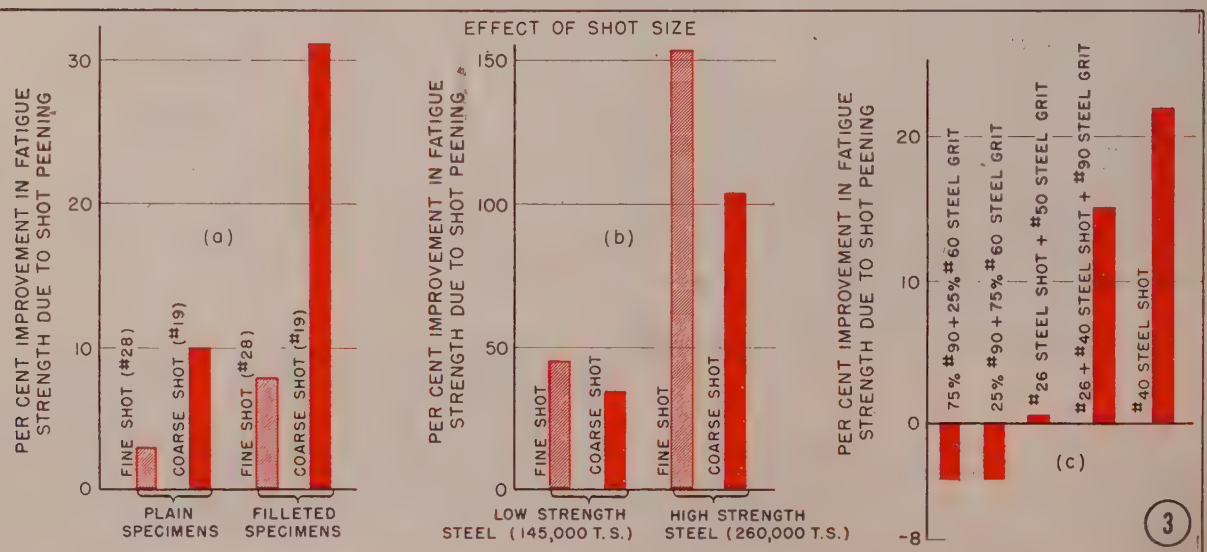


Fig. 2—A comparison between parts shot peened and not peened, in terms of their fatigue life, is meaningless unless the load or stress is specified

SPECTACULAR advantages of shot peening in improving the life of highly stressed machine parts have been recognized for a number of years. The work of F. P. Zimmerli, J. O. Almen, O. J. Horger, H. F. Moore and others has been featured prominently in the technical literature (see accompanying bibliography). It is a practical means for improving design, reducing weight and eliminating failures, which otherwise would have to be effected by an increase in section or a more expensive material.

Shot peening is a process of strengthening the surface of the part by blowing a stream of cast iron, steel or cut wire shot with an air blast or vanes of a rotating wheel. The strengthening is caused by compressive stresses set up in the surface layer and by changed shape and orientation of the crystalline grains. Fig. 1 shows the resultant microstructure.

As is true with any manufacturing process, shot peening has its advantages and limitations; only a clear understanding of its field of application will enable the designer and the metallurgist to take full advantage of its merits. In some applications shot peening can improve the strength of a part by as much as 250 per cent and useful life by 1500 per cent. In others no improvement can be realized.



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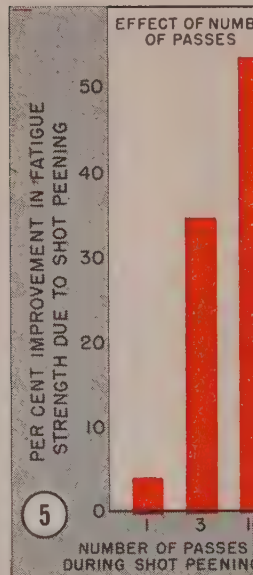
Fatigue strength, not fatigue life, is more logical yardstick to apply to determine improvement in performance of surface treated parts subject to fluctuating loads. Nine factors are evaluated on this basis

What, then, are the conditions which govern the field of usefulness of this process? In the first place, peening is effective only in those cases where the part is subjected in service to a fluctuating load, being completely ineffective for static loading. Since the former represents the vast majority of applications, the scope of shot peening is obviously vast. Other conditions to be recognized are the magnitude of service load, design of the part, tensile strength of material and condition of surface prior to peening.

These conditions are evaluated numerically in Figs. 3-11. Note that in each of these graphs, excepting Fig. 10, the effect of shot peening is expressed in terms of fatigue strength rather than fatigue life. This is the logical way of evaluating shot peening, as will be evident from a typical set of fatigue data shown in Fig. 2. The curves were derived by fatigue testing to destruction a number of shot peened parts, each at a different load, and duplicating the procedure for parts not peened. The curves drawn through the test points are known as S-N plots and they establish the fatigue strength of each part.

Observe that if shot peened and unpeened parts are compared at an applied stress of 36,000 psi, peening seems to improve life by 40 per cent. The same

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comparison at 16,000 psi gives a 670 per cent differential. Both 40 per cent and 670 per cent improvements are in themselves correct, except that if service stresses are raised to the order of 36,000 psi then 670 per cent becomes a totally fictitious figure.

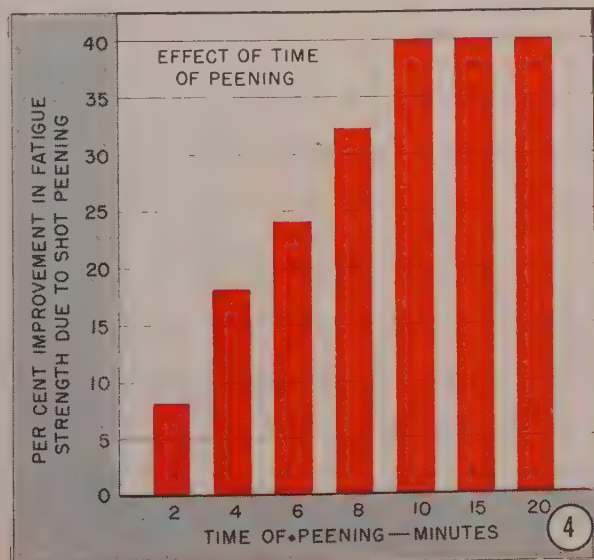
This brings up the following point: If service loads are known a comparison in terms of life is valid. If not, parts should be compared in terms of load or stress. In the present case shot peening increases the load carrying capacity by 75 per cent.

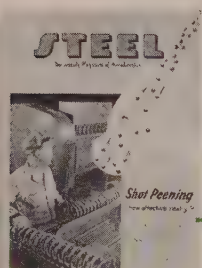
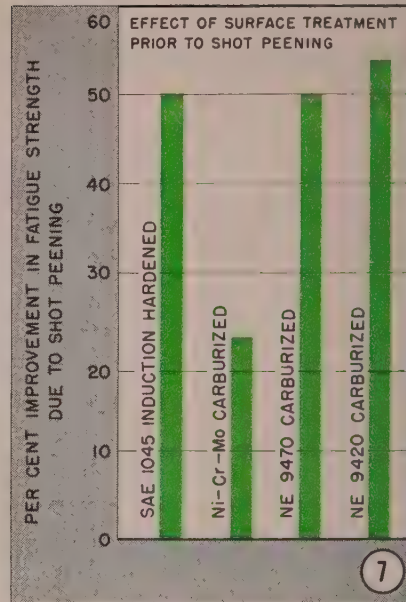
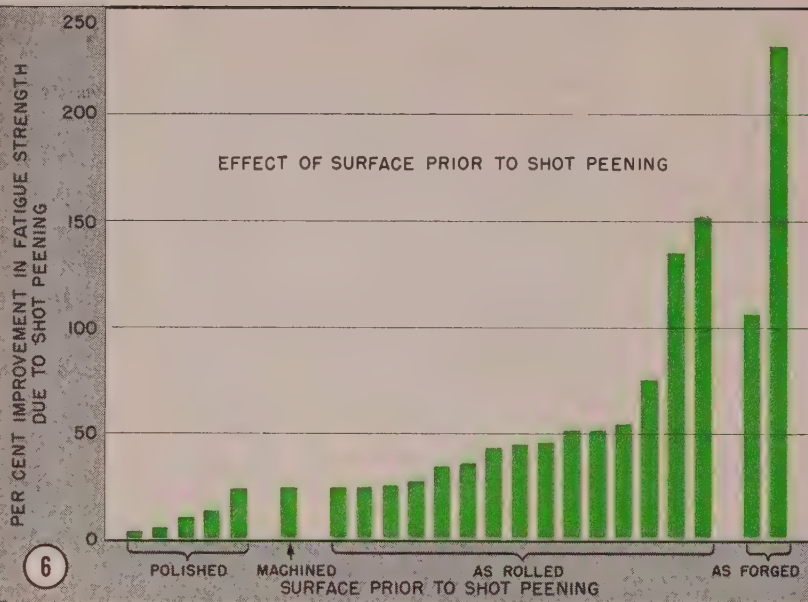
As a general rule it is better to express shot peening in terms of stress rather than life, particularly because service loads are seldom known. Furthermore, unless your part is an exact replica of the part already tested, the only way to use the available information in new designs is when the data are expressed in terms of stress. For this reason, out of a multitude of information available in literature or in report forms the author has selected only those data that are expressed in terms of fatigue stress. These data are plotted in Figs. 3-11. Each graph refers to a different condition governing the applicability of shot peening.

Shot Size—There seems to be no real agreement as to the effect of shot size on the fatigue strength (Fig. 3). Horger and Neifert in reporting test data of Lupfert show in some cases coarse shot to be better than fine and in other cases the opposite to be true. By mixing steel shot and steel grit Fry and Kehl have indicated various degrees of improvement. Horger and the author report no noticeable difference between various shot sizes in the case of automotive axle shafts.

Time of Peening—It is well established that in peening a saturation point is reached where any further treatment results in no additional improvement (excessive peening actually may weaken the part). This is shown in Fig. 4, based on the work of Zimmerli, where no particular benefit was obtained from peening beyond 10 minutes.

Number of Passes—This, of course, is related to the time of peening. Horger and Neifert have reported substantial improvement (Fig. 5) if ten passes





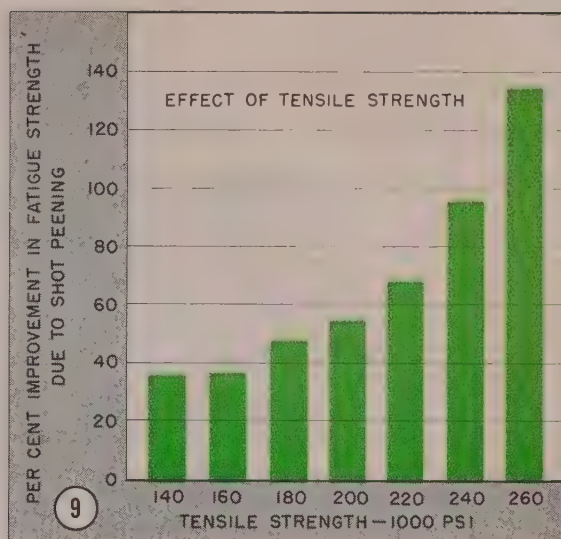
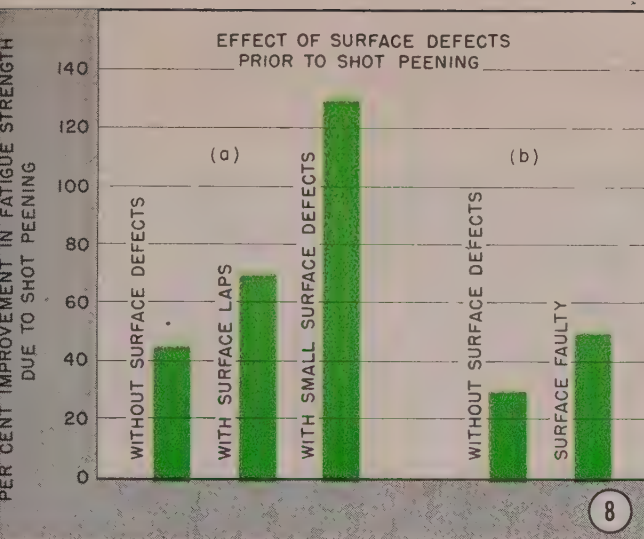
Coil springs on your car would not be taking the bumps the way they do were it not for the pioneering work of Almen, Zimmerli, Horger and Moore, the "four horsemen" of shot peening technology, and their laboratory cohorts.

are used instead of one. Data in Fig. 5 are derived for filleted specimens peened with 0.03115-inch diameter shot. Less consistent results were obtained with 0.055 and 0.080-inch shot.

Surface Prior to Peening—The quality of surface finish prior to peening is one of the most important factors in determining the degree of improvement obtained. If the original surface is good (say polished) shot peening will result in only minor improvement.

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On the other hand, an as-received surface with forging pits and decarburization will show greatly increased strength. Thus, improvements ranging from 5 to 250 per cent may be obtained, depending on surface finish prior to peening. This is illustrated in Fig. 6, based on the work of many investigators.

Surface Treatment Before Peening—There is little information available in literature on the dependence of peening on surface treatment. Fig. 7, based on the work of Moore, indicates that improvements up to 50 per cent may be anticipated.

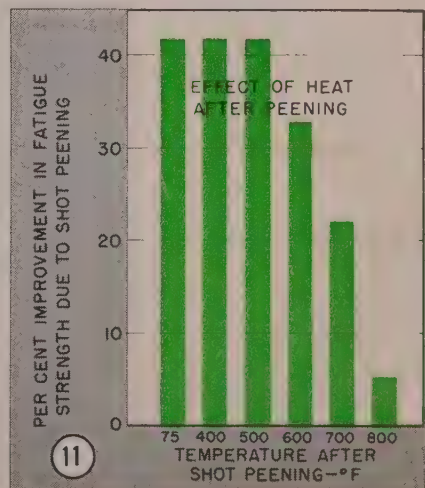
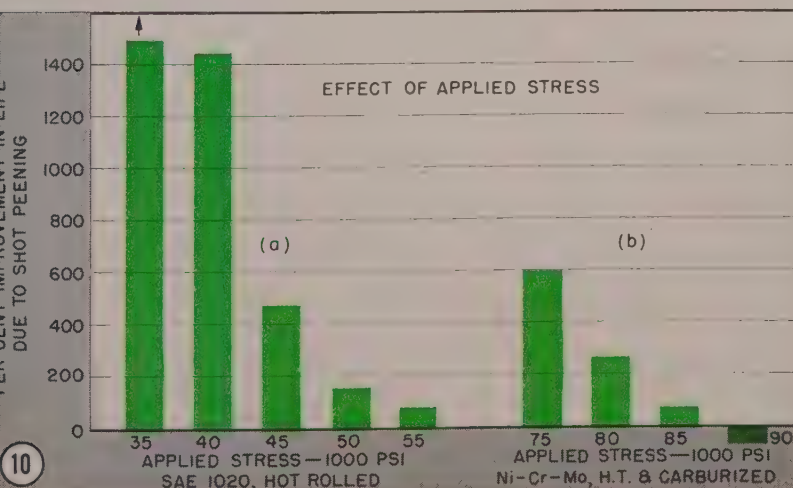
Surface Defects—Fig. 8 shows that a substantial increase in strength may result from peening parts having laps and other surface defects. Zimmerli, however, has stated that springs made from defective wire show no improvement from shot peening if seams or hairlines are present.

Tensile Strength—This is of considerable importance in utilizing peening for the whole range of steels, since tensile strength is approximately proportional to hardness. Data shown in Fig. 9 indicate

that greater benefit is realized when peening is applied to high strength than low strength steels.

Applied Stress—Shot peening is beneficial in increasing the strength of parts subjected to fatigue loading and not effective if the load is static. Since fatigue phenomena cover the range of loads from the endurance limit up to the yield point greater improvement should be anticipated when the loads are low than if they are high. This is illustrated in Fig. 10 where in the case of a Ni-Cr-Mo steel a 600 per cent improvement in life is reported for the applied stress of 75,000 psi and actually a decrease in life when the stress was 90,000 psi.

Heat after Peening—The beneficial effect of shot peening can be minimized or even entirely obliterated if the peened part is heated. This is illustrated in Fig. 11 where the threshold temperature is 500° F. Below 500° the beneficial effect of peening is retained. Above 500° the effect is diminished so that at 800° a shot peened part shows only a slightly higher strength than an untreated piece.



Revolutionary Machines and Tooling Are

Tough alloys, large diameters and thin wall sections have obsoleted former methods of aircraft engine building, putting machine builders to the test in meeting demands for precision and high production

MAJOR advances in tooling methods for volume production of axial-flow jet engines have been made as a result of a concentrated production-engineering program at Pratt & Whitney Aircraft, East Hartford, Conn. The project already has led to the development of several entirely new machine tools, through collaboration of P&WA and several machine builders, and has put into use some major improvements in metalworking techniques.

New designs of axial-flow gas-turbine engines of high power have posed fresh production problems not encountered in building reciprocal engines and the relatively more simple centrifugal-type turbojets. New tooling methods and new machines were needed to cope with these problems, which arose primarily from the need to work with much tougher materials and to produce a wide range of components of large diameter and thin wall section. Moreover, the rate of production asked for by the Air Force and Navy made obsolete many production methods that had formerly been acceptable for peacetime output.

Several of the new machines and methods can now be disclosed. They are all aimed at speeding up production through combining operations, increasing worker efficiency, and improving the quality of the finished parts.

New T-Bed Lathe Design—Machining thin-walled stainless steel rings of large diameter for turbojet nozzle vane rings, blade shrouds and tailpipes was one stickler. The diameters to be handled—running up to 48 inches—required a large lathe, capable of a 60-inch swing, a size normally built only for heavy-duty work. But the jet engine rings are shallow and of thin wall-section and the cuts to be made are relatively light and precise, so the large horsepower of the conventional heavy duty lathe was not actually needed. What was wanted was the range of a large car-wheel lathe with the sensitivity of a toolroom lathe.

P&WA took these requirements, together with a suggestion for lathe layout, to Lodge & Shipley, whose designers carried the idea onward. The result was an entirely new design: A right-angle chucking lathe with a T-shaped bed; that is, the section on which the carriage is mounted is at right angles to the center line of the lathe. The carriage carries a cross-slide which can move either parallel to the center line or at any angle to it. Hence, the new lathe can handle facing, straight or taper turning or boring, and can be purchased with a contouring attachment.

Five of these new T-bed lathes have already been installed and Lodge & Shipley is now supplying them to other industries. As a second-operation machine to receive roughed-out work from a vertical boring mill, it appears to be one answer to the current shortage of vertical boring mills.

The lathe uses a standard 25-inch heavy-duty headstock with an 11½-inch hole. This permits chucking pieces with a shaft or other extension. Most parts, however, are simply clamped to the large faceplate—a 54-inch diameter aluminum casting, 5 inches thick, which has a low moment of inertia for easier starting and stopping. The work is held to this faceplate by means of mild steel straps and rods, located in the ⅜-inch holes drilled in the plate, or by chuck jaws bolted to the aluminum plate.

Highly sensitive controls permit tolerances of up to 0.001-inch. All operations are controlled from the apron, including selection from 25 spindle speeds (ranging from 4 to 225 rpm) and from 55 feed speeds for the carriage and compound rest (from 0.001 to 0.0064-inch per revolution).

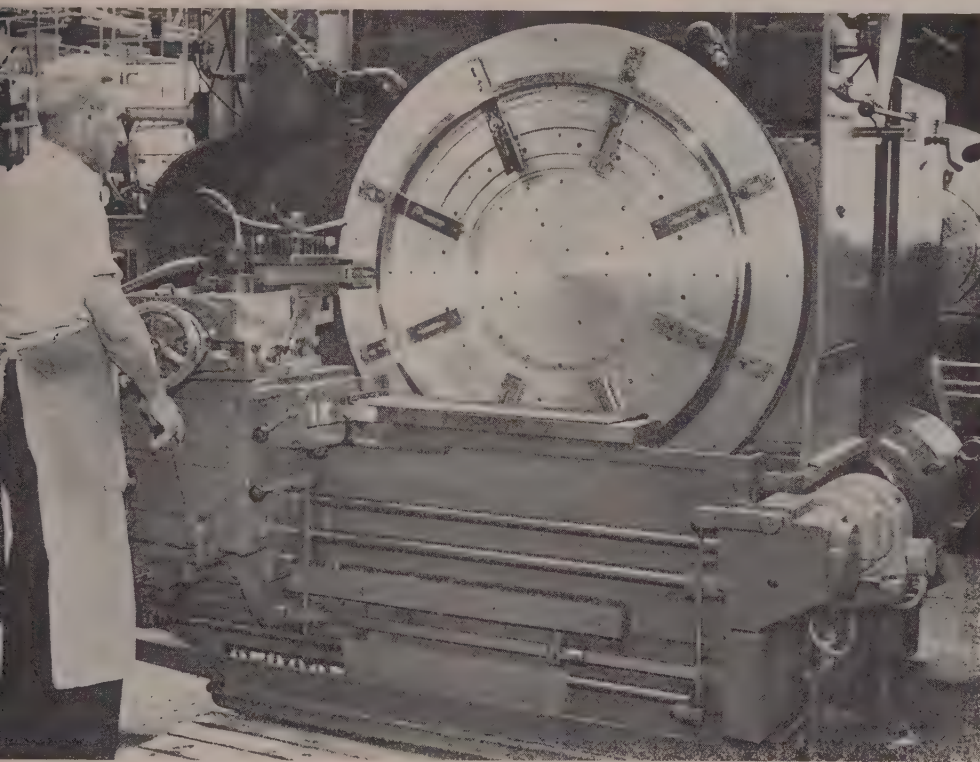
The lathe is much easier to load and unload than standard types, since there is not the usual long bed extending beyond the workpiece. Furthermore, the operator can stand much closer to the work, making it easier for him to follow the progress of the cutting and to make precise measurements of the work as it progresses.

The design saves nearly half the floor space that would have been required by a standard 60-inch swing lathe. Further, it costs several thousand dollars less than comparable 60-inch lathes on the market.

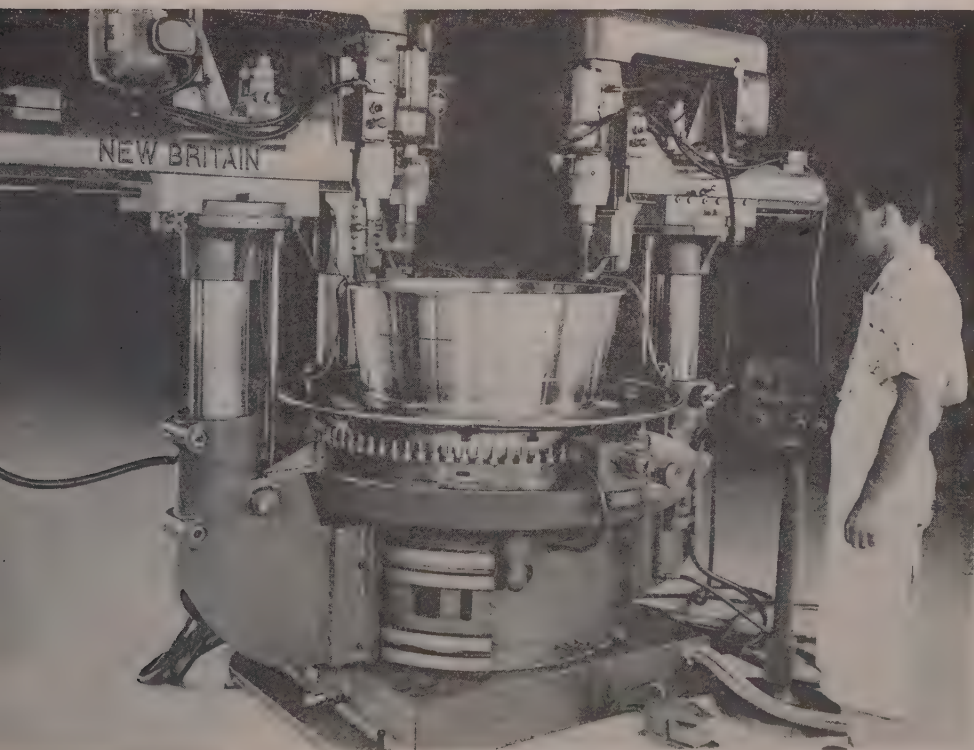
Three-Head Flexible Drilling Machine—Axial-flow gas turbines are assembled from a number of circular elements, bolted together. Because of this, the engine builder is called upon to execute a large variety of drilling patterns, spread over diameters ranging up to 48 inches, and in some cases providing as many as 196 holes.

Multispindle drilling machines clearly were not practicable for this work, for several reasons. The volume of production did not warrant the outlay for such specialized machines, capable of handling the whole range of patterns. Even if it did, a multispindle machine would not have been practical because of the time that would be lost changing drills. Most of the components are stainless steel, and the number of holes drilled between sharpenings is low, in stainless, as compared with low-carbon steel. Furthermore, no standard drilling machine was flexible enough to deal with the

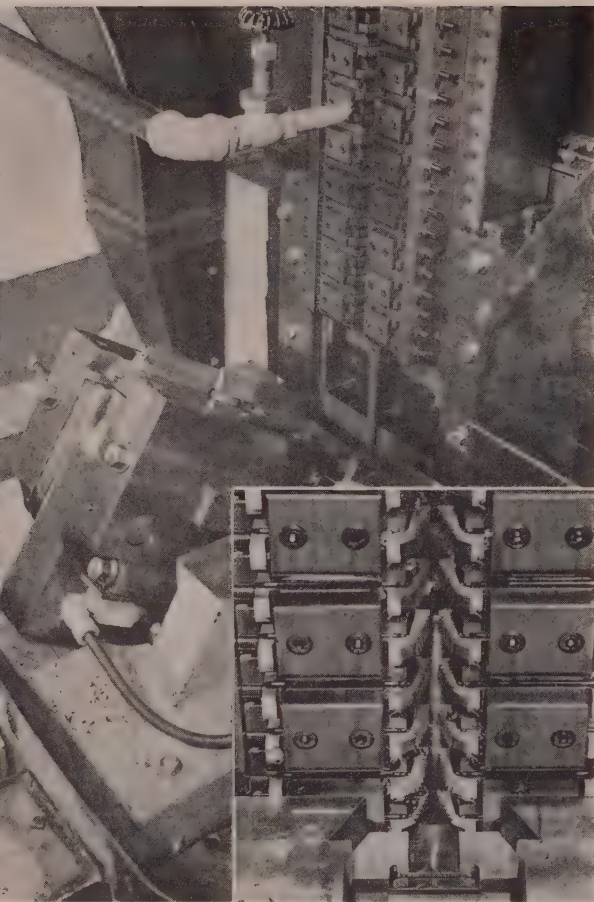
Devised to Finish Jet Engine Components



Right-angle chucking lathe with a T-shaped bed was developed to machine large diameter stainless steel rings. It combines a 60-inch swing with sensitivity of a toolroom lathe; also permits operator to stand close to work



This three-head adjustable spindle circular type drilling machine was designed to give greater flexibility than a multispindle unit. Large parts like this compressor casing can be drilled, reamed and countersunk or counter-bored or tapped in one setup



In broaching the fir-tree roots of turbine blades, broaching and grinding have supplanted milling. The 15-ton 90-inch vertical broach has individual teeth, as shown in the inset, permitting finer adjustment and harder teeth which may eventually be carbide tipped. Blade, with root section unformed, is placed in holder, tipped forward for broaching

wide variety of hole patterns required. The cost of making drill jigs for these numerous large rings would have been a major expense item.

To overcome this situation, engineers conceived a solution which New Britain Machine Co. then executed: A three-head adjustable spindle circular type drilling machine, capable of handling any drilling pattern called for, without the need for expensive drill jigs and fixtures. The machine can drill, ream and countersink at one setup of the part, with only one tool in each spindle. In some cases it can handle two different components at one time. A fourth spindle soon will be added to the design.

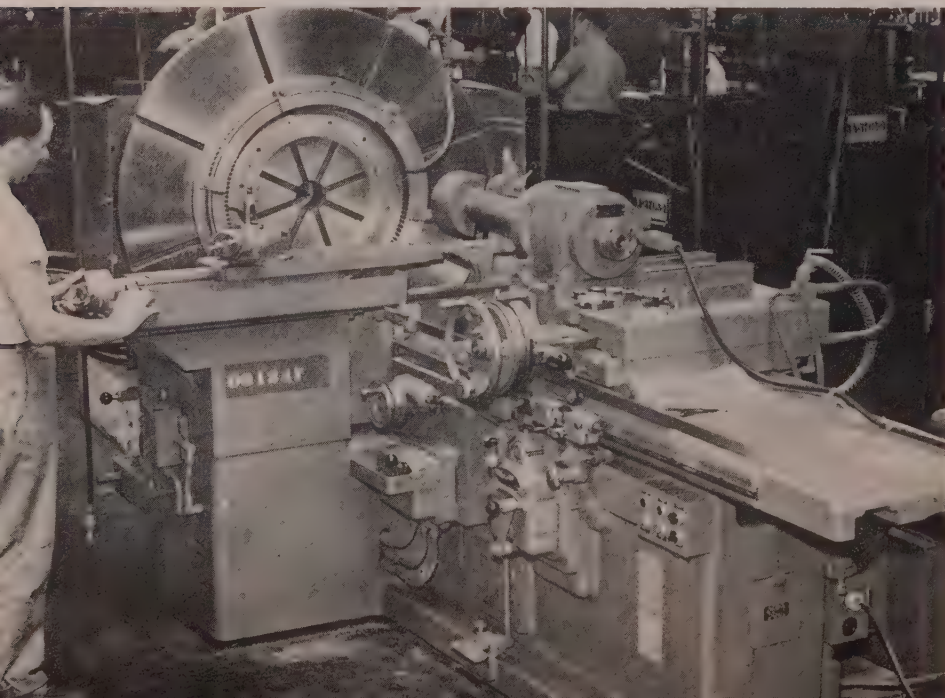
The machine is, in effect, universally tooled. All that is required is a locating diameter and a checking ring, to make sure the operator puts in all the holes required. Changeover from one hole pattern to another is a matter of a few minutes. Conservatively, this saving in drill jigs can be figured at more than \$1000 per jig.

With the new machine, the operator can easily see that the drills are kept sharp so that they are worked to their fullest capacity, yet changed quickly as soon as they become dulled.

Free-Wheeling Table—The 46-inch diameter table is mounted on a large spindle with two independent radial ball bearings, the outer bearings supporting the table nearly to the outer edge. As a result, the table can be rotated with the lightest touch of a finger; a large handwheel is fitted for the convenience of the operator. The table is locked in working position for a particular drilling operation by means of a shot bolt (front center) operated by an air cylinder.

The three drilling spindle supports can be moved about the circular base through approximately 300 degrees of the perimeter, sliding on the two steel guideways, so that the spindles can be located at any desired points.

By swiveling the heads on their respective supporting columns, and by running the radial arms in or



To machine parts like this large, thin nozzle guide vane assembly, the turning slide from an engine lathe was "grafted" onto the bed of a large internal grinder, permitting light cuts such as recessing and chamfering after grinding

out in the holding brackets, any desired setting can be obtained. A single control pedestal contains the start-stop and feed and retract switches for all three spindles. Changeover from one hole pattern to another can be made in a matter of 15 or 20 minutes, providing the multiple falls within the range of the index pins which can be plainly seen around the perimeter of the table. These index pins are initially spaced by means of ground circular disks of equal diameter, to give the correct chordal distance for the required number of holes. When odd locations are needed, the location of the index pin is determined by V-links.

Operation of the machine is simple. To rotate the table from one locating pin to the next, the operator merely retracts the shot bolt by stepping on the foot-treadle (front, low down) which trips the air valve, then moves the table to the new location, stopping at the approximate center of the next index pin. He then releases the shot bolt which thereupon moves in slowly to engage the locating pin without jarring the table or unduly straining the pin.

The machine was designed to drill and ream to within 0.005-inch of the true location; in checking it out, the machine has performed to within 0.002-inch, or well within the accuracy desired for these circles.

Future development of this machine calls for the incorporation of a horizontal drill head and also for a broaching spindle for certain key holes whose angular location must be kept extremely exact but which must have clearance to allow for high temperatures radially. These slightly elongated holes can then be broached at the same time without removing the part from the table.

Broaching Fir-Tree Blade Roots—Advanced broach-

Extra rigidity, reminiscent of the Harkness lathe design of 35 years ago, is built into this turret lathe for machining the tough alloy steel disks for compressors and turbines of jet engines. Several tools operate at once, and the turret can carry all tools for machining both sides of two sizes of disks

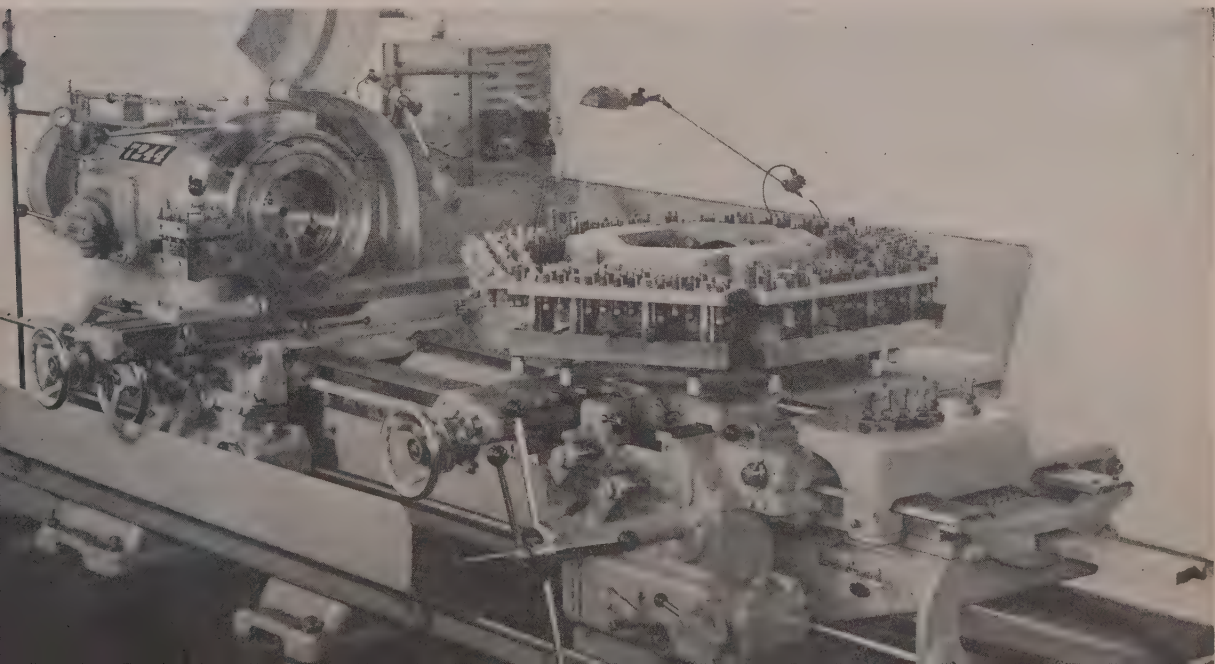
ing methods have materialized in revising procedures for broaching the fir-tree roots of turbine blades. One of these is in forming both sides of the blade root at one pass; another is in the introduction of individual teeth in the broach, rather than using multitooth sections. Both serve to increase the rate of production and at the same time increase the life of cutting tools.

Previous method of machining these roots was to mill the "limbs" on one side of the "tree", then index the part and mill the limbs on the other side, using the same cutter. This gave neither the extreme accuracy required for these surfaces nor a low enough production time. So tool engineers have gone to a broaching-and-grinding operation which gives the gage-like accuracy of finish that it is necessary for the blades, and at the same time is less costly.

Broaching of both sides of the root at one pass is now carried out on a Lapointe 15-ton 90-inch vertical broach. Setup differs from the usual broaching practice in that each individual tooth in the body is separate, rather than having a number of teeth in one section.

The conventional multitooth setup imposed certain limits on the operation. You could not back off or relieve the teeth to adjust the amount of cut, because the teeth were so closely spaced. This can now be done. You could not make the multiple-tooth section as hard as the individual teeth can now be made. It has always required a high degree of skill to prepare broach sections with multi-teeth. Now the desired accuracy is obtained through controlling the forming of the grinding wheels which dress the broach teeth.

Changed Concept of Cutting—This setup represents another departure from usual broaching practice in breaking away from the old idea that several teeth should be in the cut at one time. This idea is obsolete, say Pratt & Whitney Aircraft tool engineers, because today's machines are so constructed that the ram guides give firm control over alignment of the stroke, and the teeth can be used for their primary function—cutting. With *(Please turn to Page 100)*



Electrostatic Atomization Applied to Paint Spraying

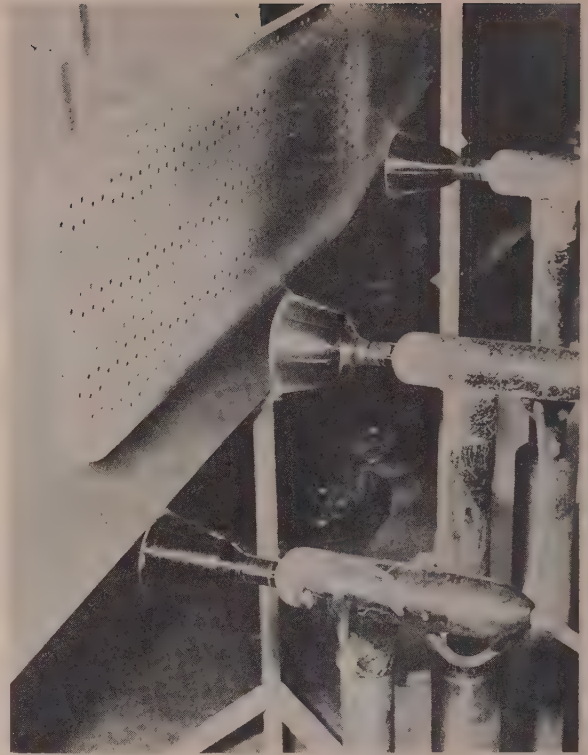
Liquid particles are charged and dispersed by new type of spinning head, requiring no compressed air. "Mileage per gallon" improved

LATEST concept of the electrospray process for applying lacquers, enamels and varnishes to metal products is based on electrostatic atomization of the coating material before it leaves the spray head. This is a complete departure from former methods of electrospraying in which air atomization was used and the atomized coating particles given a high-potential charge as they passed from the conventional air-spray gun to the part.

The new atomization principle was demonstrated July 26 at the plant of the Ransburg Electro-Coating Corp., Indianapolis, formerly the Harper J. Ransburg Co., and originator of processes for electrostatic de-tearing and spray painting. Numerous industrial applications of the latter processes have been made, some of which were described in STEEL for Aug. 9, 1943; Feb. 7, 1944; Nov. 12, 1945; May 12, 1947; and Sept. 26, 1949.

Current evolution of the method is known as the No. 2 process and a limited number of installations has been made, including those at Barler Metal Products Ind., Goshen, Ind.; Interstate Metal Products Inc., Michigan City, Ind.; Seymour Tool & Engineering Co. Inc., Seymour, Ind.; Geuder, Paeschke & Frey Co., Milwaukee; and Butler Mfg. Co., Galesburg, Ill.

Paint Metered to Head—In the No. 2 process, the article to be coated is carried by a conveyor past a modified type of spray "gun"—essentially a hollow cone-shaped head. Coating material is metered at a constant rate to the apex of the head and power rotation of the head spreads the material uniformly over



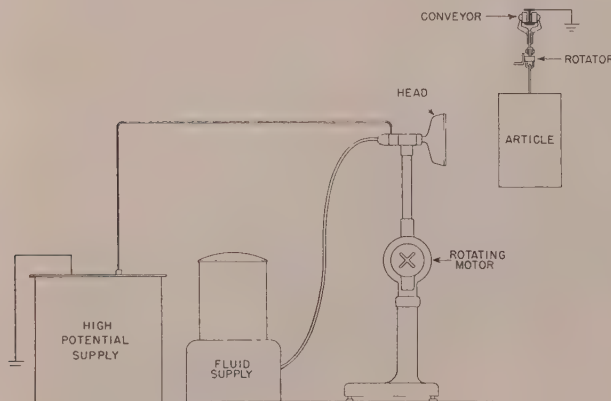
Metal ironing boards here are carried horizontally on a conveyor at a speed of 17 feet per minute past atomizing heads directing enamel spray

its inner surface, causing an even flow to the outer edge.

A source of electrostatic high potential, having one terminal grounded and the other connected to the head, creates a strong electrostatic field between the head and the part to be painted which is grounded by the conveyor. The force of this field transforms the liquid coating into a spray of fine, charged particles and creates an attraction that pulls the particles to the grounded piece. This is calculated to effect nearly complete electrostatic deposition.

Major variables, such as atomization air pressure, spray pattern, fluid delivery and overspray exhaust air currents are eliminated. No spray booth is needed, no compressed air; only ventilation of the area for control of solvent vapor. When the shape of the part or the conveyor system do not permit complete deposition, a backboard is used as a simulated article. The virtual elimination of overspray naturally means more paint "mileage per gallon". In one installation where white enamel is applied to both sides of metal ironing boards, paint cost per board was reduced 25 per cent over the former electrospray process using air atomization.

Ransburg plans to supply the complete automatic coating unit, comprising the source of electrostatic potential, electrical controls, insulators, atomizing heads and the coating material handling system. Conveyors, workholders and ventilation are up to the user. The system operates from 220-volt, 60-cycle, single-phase power supply.



Schematic arrangement of basic elements in latest type of electrospray system for applying lacquers, enamels or varnishes to conveyorized parts



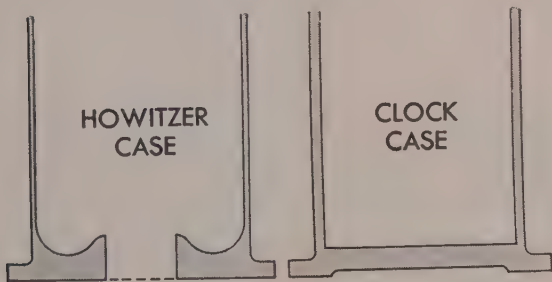
Chelsea Ship's Bell Clock, The Vanderbilt model, made by Chelsea Clock Co., Chelsea 50, Mass. Case drawn in one piece out of commercial brass by Worcester Pressed Steel Co., Worcester 6, Mass.

War Baby grows into a Clock Case

During the War, the Worcester Pressed Steel Co. worked out a technique for forming 4.5 howitzer shell cases of cartridge brass. The case was $3\frac{3}{4}$ " high, $4\frac{3}{4}$ " o.d., with thin walls and thick base that included a difficult flange, the material for which had to flow entirely from the base of the cup. The successful solution of the many problems required careful tool design, plus skilled control of each operation.

Later the Chelsea Clock Co. asked Worcester if it could cold-form clock cases out of commercial brass. A study of the clock case revealed striking similarities between it and the howitzer case, but on the other hand there was one important difference. The large radius on the inside of the howitzer case was not permissible in the clock case, because of the space required for the works. It was found that the bottom design could be achieved by squaring the case to the exact height, providing the bottom knockout with exactly the correct amount of spring tension in the restrike, and carefully governing the pressure and speed of press travel. The complete coordination of these factors resulted in a perfect case, and another example of the adaptation of war-learned skills to peace-time products.

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POOR wear resistance, with a marked tendency to seize and gall, is a characteristic shared by most of the stainless steels. The austenitic and ferritic types have the poorest wear resistance, although the martensitic and precipitation hardening types are usually also unsatisfactory in applications involving wear with high unit bearing loads, due to seizing and galling.

The Malcomizing¹ process was developed by Chapman Valve to overcome this inherent lack of wear resistance of the stainless steels. It is essentially a patented surface hardening process for producing

an extremely hard, wear resistant case on stainless steel.

Oxide Layer Is Problem—During the past several decades, many investigators have attempted to nitride the stainless steels, using both standard and special techniques. The thin layer of chromium oxide which forms on the surface of all stainless steels partially or completely prevented the formation of chromium nitride. Many expedients have been tried to reduce this thin layer of chromium oxide, including pickling in a reducing acid, prior to nitriding. Unfortunately, none of the methods evolved was particularly successful until the Malcomizing process was developed, making use of nascent hydrogen to reduce the thin layer of chromium oxide.

Fig. 2 diagrammatically illustrates the components of an installation. Fig. 1 illustrates a commercial installation, using a propane fired, circulating type of furnace. This particular installation will process up to 6000 pounds of work per heat.

The process will surface harden all the stainless steels, including the AISI type 300, 400 and 500 series, and the newer precipitation hardening types. The process is also applicable to the conventional nitriding grades of steel and the low-alloy structural grades. It will not surface harden nickel and/or cobalt base alloys.

No special furnace equipment is required. Any heat treating furnace, capable of fairly close temperature control in the range 800-1200° F is suitable. Furnaces ranging from small, electrically heated, laboratory muffle furnaces, to large, oil fired, car-

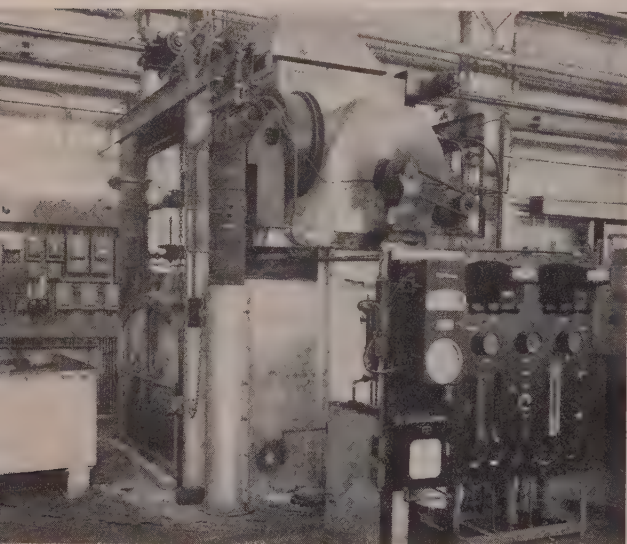
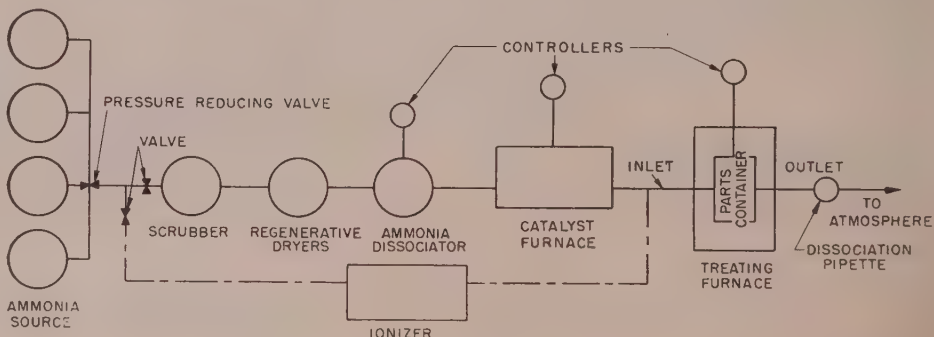


Fig. 1 (above)—Commercial installation, using a propane fired circulating type of furnace handling 6000-pound loads

Fig. 2 (right) — Schematic diagram of equipment installation for nitriding of stainless steel by Malcomizing process



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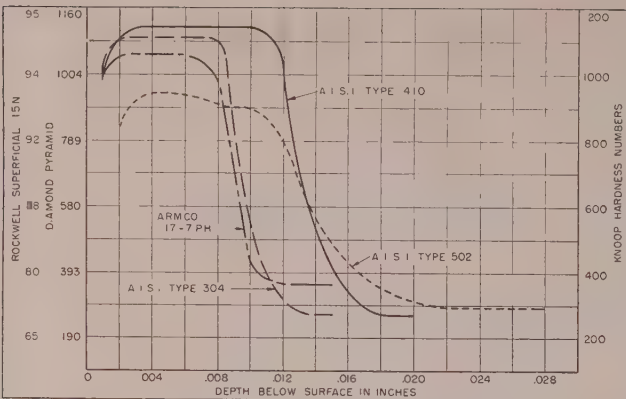


Fig. 3—Typical case hardness versus depth surveys for four types of stainless steel

type foundry furnaces, have been successfully used. Special nitriding furnaces, of the bell type, have certain advantages; as do gas fired, double end, circulating draw furnaces. The main advantages associated with these types of furnaces are convenience, ease in charging and unloading, and shortening of the total time cycle, due to increased heating and cooling rates.

Prior Heat Treatment Essential—One important feature, common to both nitriding the conventional nitriding grades of steel, and the stainless steels, cannot be overemphasized: The need of a proper heat treatment prior to surface hardening. It is well known that the conventional nitriding steels should be heat treated in a manner that produces a sorbitic, stress-free structure prior to nitriding. A similar, special heat treatment is also required for the heat treatable grades of the AISI type 400 series stainless steels prior to Malcomizing. The nonheat treatable grades of AISI type 400 series and the austenitic stainless steels are usually annealed prior to nitriding.

A suitable schedule of machining, cold working, welding and the like should also be set up to permit a final heat treating operation to remove all residual

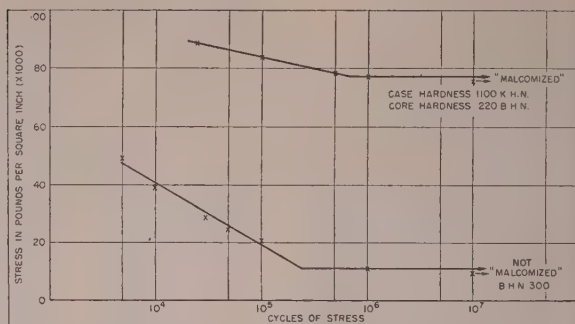


Fig. 4—Fatigue test on treated and untreated notched bar of AISI type 410 stainless, specimens polished with 000 emery

stresses prior to nitriding. If high residual stresses are not removed, distortion and/or strain blemishes may result.

There is no limit to the size of pieces which can be treated, other than the limitations of existing equipment. Pieces ranging in weight from a gram to several tons have been successfully handled. "Stopping-off" any areas not to be surface hardened is readily accomplished by coating with a special liquid applied by spraying, brushing or dipping.

No special surface finishes are required; however, all surfaces must be prepared by fine sandblasting. The minute roughening of the surface which results from this sandblasting operation may be removed by a light grinding or lapping operation after nitriding.

Ammonia Dissociated, Ionized—Properly prepared pieces are packed into a suitable pressure-tight retort, designed to permit the free circulation of gas around the pieces. The packed retort is placed in the furnace, gas inlets and outlets connected, and the flow of gas started. The special control panel, shown in Fig. 1, supplies properly dissociated and ionized ammonia gas to the retort. The total length of the cycle is approximately 40 hours, after the furnace and charge are brought to temperature of approximately 1000° F.

After treating, the pieces are clean and silvery-gray in color. Most applications require a final light grinding, lapping, honing, or polishing operation. The normal recommended finish allowance is approximately 0.002-inch per side. Properly heat treated work will not distort, although a slight growth occurs.

Fig. 3 illustrates typical case hardness versus depth surveys for several Malcomized stainless steels. It may be noted that these steels reach their maximum hardness approximately 0.002-inch below the surface. To some extent, the case has a lesser resistance to corrosion than the base metal. This is particularly true in the case of mineral acids, their salts and strongly oxidizing acids.

The corrosion resistance of treated stainless steel

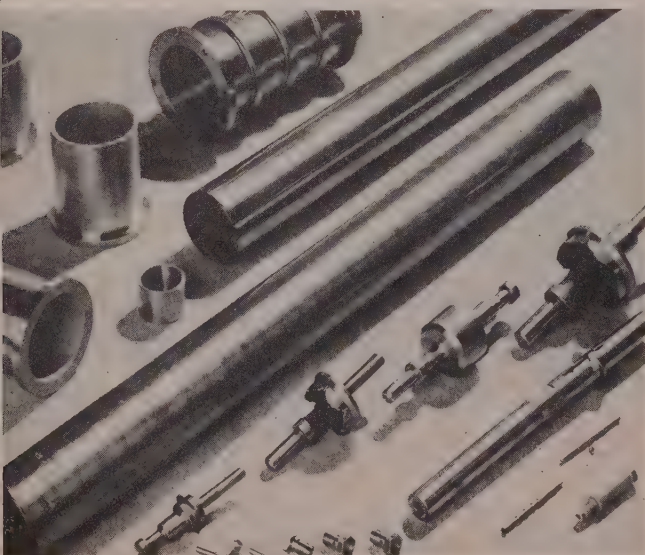


Fig. 5—Group of stainless steel parts which have been given the nitriding treatment, showing range of sizes and shapes which may be processed

is strongly influenced by surface cleanliness as is the corrosion resistance of all stainless steels. Passivation, using mild oxidizing solutions, such as sodium dichromate, will remove any free iron from the surface and appreciably enhance its corrosion resistance to many media.

Fatigue Life Improved—Although the chief advantage of nitrided stainless steel is its superior wear resistance an appreciable improvement in fatigue strength of stainless steel will also be obtained. The case has high residual compressive stresses, which act to improve fatigue life in the same manner as shot peening. Fig. 4 illustrates the effect of Malcomizing on the strength of notched AISI type 410 stainless steel.

The elevated temperature stability of the treated stainless steel is high. Although the actual operation is performed at approximately 1000° F, the reaction is not readily reversible. Laboratory tests indicated heating hardened AISI type 304 for 100,000 hours (approximately 12 years) at 1025° F will reduce its hardness by only about 50 per cent. Heating at lower temperatures has appreciably less effect. Treated stainless steels have excellent wear resistance at temperatures up to 1200° F.

No Sharp Corners—Consideration should be given the design of stainless steel parts to be processed. In general, two rules apply: Avoid sharp corners and hold unit bearing pressures below the yield strength of the base material. Sharp corners are liable to break if the piece is handled roughly and result in increased corrosion rates, as well as decreasing the dynamic load carrying capacity of the part. Unit bearing pressures which exceed the yield strength of the base material are liable to result in "brinelling" with accompanying fracture of the case. If a design necessitates high unit bearing pressures, careful consideration should be given to the selection of the core material. It should be borne in mind that the hardening operation will serve also as a draw to reduce the hardness of low-temperature transformation products and little can be gained by quenching a steel, such as AISI type 420, to produce a high hardness and then tempering the piece back to a relatively low hardness during Malcomizing. If high core hardnesses are required it is usually wise to consider treating the precipitation hardening types of stainless.

Applications of the specially processed stainless steel are as myriad as the uses of stainless steel itself. Successful applications range from high-temperature, high-pressure valve trim to dental drill handpieces. Wherever the normal properties of stainless steel can be enhanced by the addition of a hard, wear resistant surface, there is a potential application. Fig. 5 shows some typical parts.

Successful operation of thousands of tons of Malcomized stainless steel bears testimony to the value of the process. However, it is a highly specialized type of surface hardening treatment that should not be used indiscriminately.

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Inserts Permit Pump Salvage

Fuel pump castings formerly scrapped because of worn and stripped threads are salvaged with thread inserts made by Heli-Coil Corp., Long Island City, N. Y., in the rebuilding department of Sid Harvey Inc., Valley Stream, N. Y. These quickly installed stainless steel helical-wire thread inserts provide new threads that are stronger, more wear-resistant and more corrosion-resistant than the original threads in the casting.

Between 10 and 20 defective fuel unit castings, or approximately 1 per cent of the units processed are repaired by the wire-insert method each week. At a saving of \$3 and more per casting, this amounts to a yearly saving of over \$2000. Equally important, these thread inserts permit the continued use of castings that might not be replaceable.

Repair operations follow this pattern: Damaged thread is cut out with a drill larger in diameter than the major diameter of the original thread, hole is re-threaded with a special oversize tap and a helical-wire thread insert is installed.

Operator gives the insert a starting turn into the new thread by hand, and then positions the inserting tool for the final inserting operation. Insert is then screwed into the pump casting until it is a quarter to half a turn below the machined surface of the boss. Entire operation takes 5 minutes.

Originally, castings having damaged threads were salvaged by drilling out the old threads, tapping to the next larger thread size and making oversize parts to fit. This took 2 to 3 man-hours. Neglecting material costs and considering only the labor charge, it was found that repair costs by this method amounted to more than the casting was worth.



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PART III

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HOT METAL cars generally are lined with high duty fireclay brick, although natural silica rock is sometimes used. Usually the lining having highest resistance to iron oxide at the service temperature gives best results. Limited trials of sillimanite brick, in sections of greatest lining wear, have been made recently without conclusive results. No trials have yet been made of the unburned basic brick which should give best results where service conditions are most severe.

Several types of alumina-silica refractories are used for linings of hot metal cars of all types. Dense, stiff-mud, high-duty fireclay brick, or regular blast furnace brick, are used for the entire lining of most cars. Standard open-hearth furnace ladle brick, which expand in service, have been used successfully in semiclosed-top ladles, in a few cases, when the iron is not very hot. A monolithic lining of ganister and fire clay is used in cars at one plant where metal is moved only from blast furnace to pig machine.

Mortars used with these brick have included fire clay, fire clay and grog, and air-setting fire clay or chrome-base mortars; however, those of the high alumina type—notably sillimanite—usually give best results. In some cars, chrome or chrome-magnesite mortars have been used successfully, but when the temperature is high, there have been cases of serious reaction between the brick and mortar. Chrome-base mortars are not recommended for cars where soda is added—especially if amount used is large and temperature high.

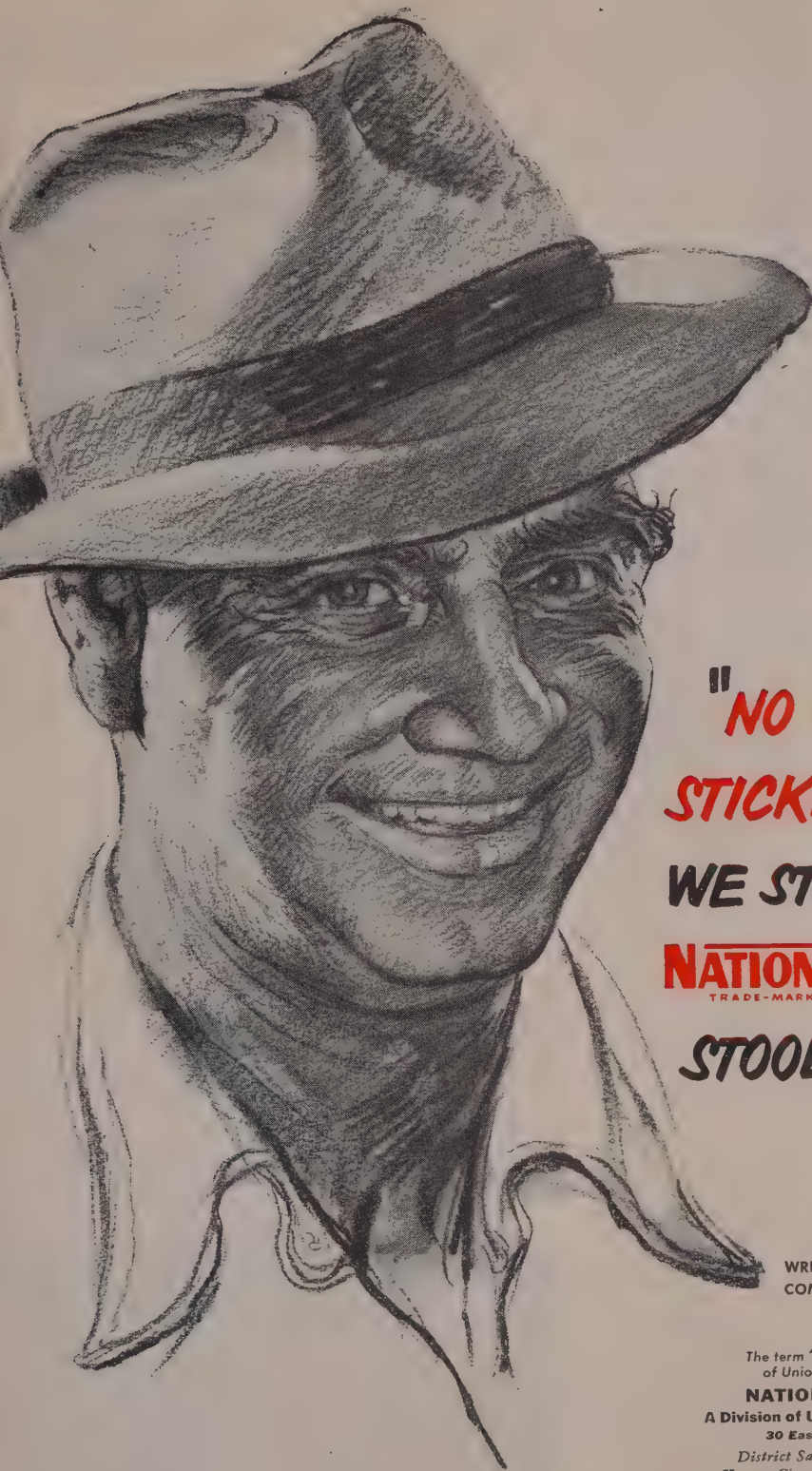
Dense Fireclay Brick Indicated—The most economical high-duty fireclay brick lining for hot metal cars, where conditions are not unusually severe, is a special, dense, stiff-mud fireclay brick, laid with thin joints of sillimanite, or other high alumina mortar. When this type of lining is not satisfactory, due to severe conditions, the new, low porosity, high-fired (Cone 18) blast furnace brick, laid in high alumina mortar, such as sillimanite, should give better service.

High-fired super duty fireclay brick are the next logical choice after high-fired blast furnace brick for extra severe conditions, and are preferred by some plants for ordinary operating conditions. These super-duty brick, when laid with high alumina mortar, such as sillimanite, usually give increased service. In one plant, tonnage per lining was increased by more than 60 per cent, and refractories materials and bricklaying costs were cut about in half—as compared to high-duty fireclay brick, laid with air-setting fireclay-base mortar. In another plant, service was increased some 55 per cent, with both chrome-base air-setting, and high alumina, diaspore-base mortars. These mortars have now been replaced with sillimanite mortar. Combination of high-duty, high-fired blast furnace brick, and high-fired super-duty fireclay brick, may give more economical service in some cars than a complete lining of any one type. Pouring lips of some submarine-type cars are made of high-fired super-duty fireclay brick.

Sillimanite Results Variable—When conditions are so severe that no fire-clay brick is satisfactory, high alumina brick of the proper type should give better service. It has been known for many years that re-



Fig. 8—Typical pencilling of joints of high-duty fireclay brick in a submarine-type hot metal car



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Fig. 9—Unburned magnesite-chrome brick in a modern 800-ton mixer with plastic chrome ore covering the corbels in the bottom of the pouring-out spout

sistance of alumina-silica brick to slag high in iron oxide, increases with the alumina content, but no trials of high alumina brick have been reported until recently.

Sillimanite brick have been tried in several different plants, with conflicting results. In one plant, they cracked and disintegrated in a manner which appeared similar to brick disintegration in blast furnaces. In another plant, where no mixer is used, a band of sillimanite brick, tested in the slag line area of a 196-ton submarine-type ladle, protruded about 1 inch beyond the surrounding high-fired super-duty fireclay brick when the lining was removed, after the ladle had given about 14 per cent more than the best previous life of high-fired super-duty fire-clay brick. A similar installation in another ladle in this plant, gave 23 per cent more tonnage and 13 more days, than the average of all linings of super-duty fireclay brick.

As a result of these tests, two other ladles at this plant were similarly lined, and a fourth ladle lined with low porosity, power-pressed, 60 per cent alumina brick, in the groin area only, for comparison with results on sillimanite brick.

In a third plant, a submarine-type ladle, having a panel of sillimanite brick in the section of most severe wear, gave considerably more tonnage than ever obtained before. Four courses of sillimanite brick around the belly and sides of a similar ladle "apparently heaved in the center from some unknown cause," early in the campaign. They were replaced with super-duty fireclay brick, but after 71,500 tons, the remaining sillimanite brick were in much better condition than were the super-duty brick.

New High-Alumina Brick Promising—There are now available several new, low-porosity, high alumina brick of diasporite or bauxite base. Recent successful

trials of 70 per cent alumina brick in hot metal mixers have focused attention on low-porosity brick containing 70 per cent alumina or even higher. Trials of 70 per cent alumina brick in hot metal cars are planned for the near future, and it is believed that they are much more likely to prove economical than sillimanite brick.

Silica Refractories Results Vary—Various types of silica refractories have been used in hot metal cars, with results varying with service conditions. Natural sandstone or mica schist—refractories containing over 90 per cent SiO_2 —are sometimes used but they rarely do the job as well as high-duty fireclay brick.

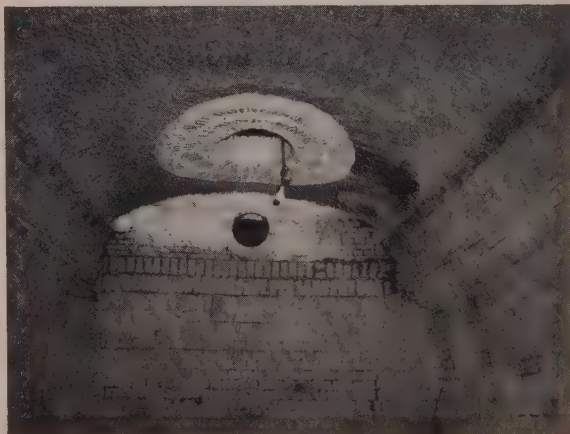
Silica brick should give good service in hot metal cars (if kept above 550°F to eliminate spalling), because the oxides of iron and manganese have no great effect on the brick until they reach high concentrations. However, in one test it was found that silica brick were no better than high-duty fireclay brick (probably because of spalling). Therefore, a trial of spall-resistant silica brick is now proposed.

Basic Brick for Severe Conditions—Limited trials of basic brick in hot metal cars, and results in mixers, give good reason to believe that the proper unburned magnesite-chrome brick will prove economical in hot metal cars where most severe service conditions are encountered. One plant (where these unburned basic brick have been standard in mixers for several years) is considering their use in submarine-type ladles in the throat and slag line areas.

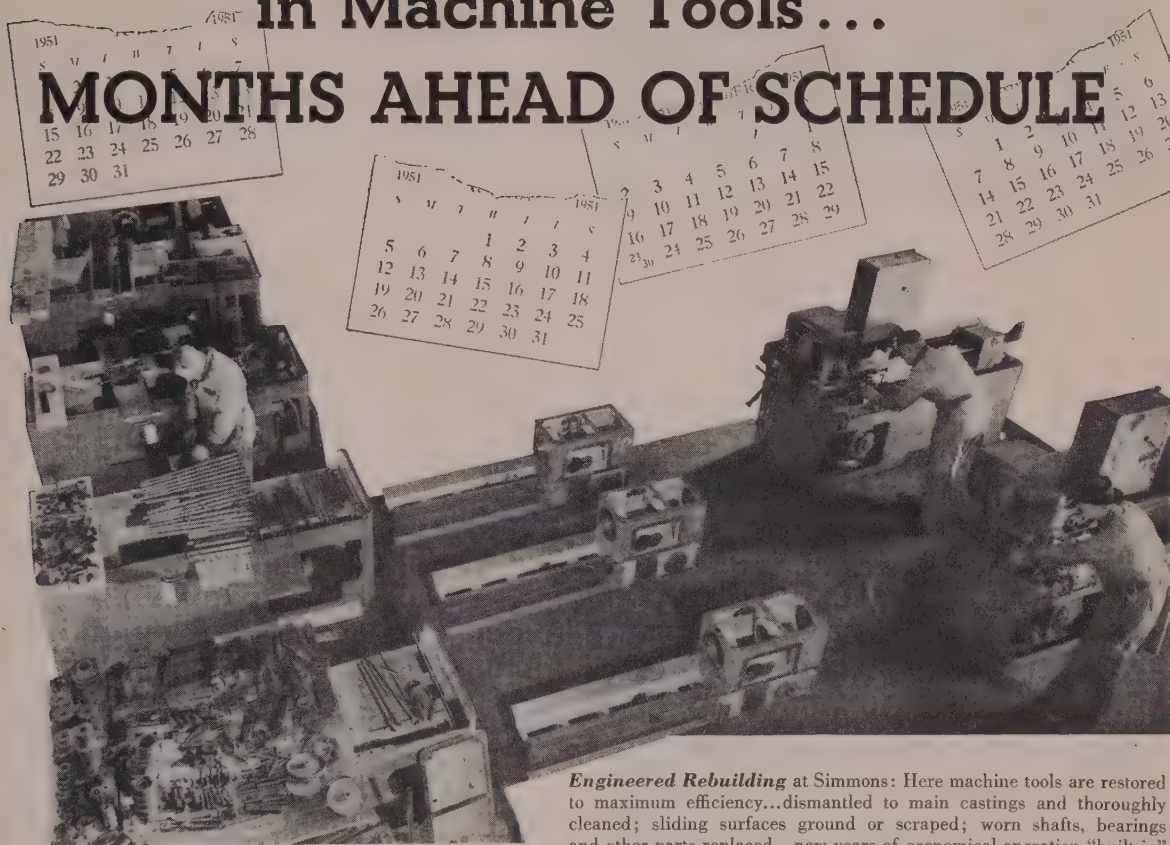
In one plant, burned chrome-magnesite brick, laid in chrome-magnesite mortar, have been adopted as the standard lining for the entire throat of several submarine-type ladles, because conditions are too severe for high-duty and high-fired super-duty fireclay brick. These basic brick also were tried several years ago, as a 3-foot band on both sides of the belly of a ladle, but they were not economical. Burned chrome brick would probably be even less satisfactory.

Magnesite brick have the best resistance of any basic brick to the chemical attack of hot metal car slags, but the burned brick, of both regular and low-

Fig. 10—New installation of unburned magnesite-chrome brick laid in chrome-magnesite mortar forming a complete basic lining from skewback to skewback in this 800-ton mixer



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Fig. 11 — Unburned magnesite-chrome brick from skew to skew in a 800-ton mixer after 277,000 tons. Final tonnage on this lining was 560,664—more than 8 times the average tonnage of high-fired super-duty fireclay brick

iron types, would probably spall in most hot metal cars, even worse than they do in the majority of mixers. Unburned, chrome-free, magnesite brick, which are greatly superior to burned brick in resistance to spalling, have interesting possibilities for severe sections of hot metal cars. One large steel producer is planning a trial of these brick, laid in magnesite mortar, at the slag line in submarine-type hot metal cars.

Mixer Service Conditions—These are essentially the same as in hot metal cars, although mixer temperature is somewhat lower in a given plant. Metal temperature is usually between 2350 and 2500° F when it leaves the mixer, despite the fact that most plants attempt to keep the metal from losing temperature by firing the mixer.

Prime cause of lining wear, at the slag line and below, is pencilling of the brick, unless the mortar used is materially superior to the brick in resistance to slag corrosion. Corrosiveness of the slag is determined by its composition, its temperature, atmosphere in the mixer, and type of brick and mortar used. Slag composition is largely dependent on the metal analysis, assuming good skimming at the blast furnace, and no additions for desulphurizing. Slag temperature, and that of the brick at the slag line, varies with temperature of the metal entering the mixer; tonnage of metal per day; type and thickness of lining; and, in the case of fired mixers, with the temperature, luminosity and length of the flame above the metal.

Regardless of metal temperature, slag composition, or type of brick, the use of a high temperature, luminous, long flame above the metal gives a fluid slag and superheats the brick at the slag line. The result is a greatly increased rate of lining wear due to slag corrosion—especially if the atmosphere above the metal line is reducing.

Where Wear Is Greatest—Greatest wear usually occurs around the jambs, bottom of the pouring-out spout, or area around, and under, the pouring-in spout. Trouble with the pouring-in area is eliminated in the newer mixers, where metal is poured in through a hole in the roof, Fig. 10. In the mixer body, most severe wear occurs in a band in the slag line area.

If the level of the metal in the mixer is too low, the bottom brick are subject to erosion from falling

metal, and brick in the walls are unnecessarily exposed to splash from metal and highly corrosive slag. If the metal level is too high, there may be excessive wear on the roof and skews on the pouring-out side during pouring. Lining life is, therefore, increased by keeping the metal in the mixer at a level between these two extremes. In the walls above the slag line, and in the roof, brick are subject to vitrification, shrinkage, and thermal shock. Where rectangular jambs are used, excessive wear of jamb brick usually occurs, unless unburned magnesite-chrome brick of relatively large sizes are used. The arches over the pouring-out spout get quite hot during the pouring process, and when the mixer is tilted back into normal position, they cool down rapidly, subjecting the arch brick to severe thermal shock. Flatness of the arch also subjects the brick to comparatively high load stresses.

When the mixer is not fired, brick in the pouring-in spout, or opening, are subject to thermal shock, severity of which depends on the design and method of operating the mixer.

Alumina-Silica Refractories Most Common—Nearly every type of alumina-silica, silica, and basic refractories has been tried as partial or complete linings of hot metal mixers. Alumina-silica refractories are usually used in mixers, except where conditions are unusually severe. Most mixers are now lined with a double lining of either dense, stiff-mud, high-duty fireclay brick, or hearth and bosh blast furnace brick. Standard open-hearth ladle brick were found unsatisfactory in a mixer operated at about 2500° F. Several different operators use siliceous fireclay (semisilica) brick with excellent results in the roofs of mixers.

Mortars used have included fire clay, fire clay and grog, and air-setting fire clay or chrome-base mortars, but those of the high alumina type—especially sillimanite—generally give the best results. Chrome-base mortars may react with fireclay brick in the hottest mixers, and are to be avoided in such cases—especially if soda compounds are used for desulphurizing. For most mixers, low-porosity, stiff-mud, high-duty fireclay brick with thin joints of sillimanite, or other high alumina mortar, are the most economical of any brick of the fireclay type.

High-Fired Brick Show Promise—A lining of dense, high-fired (Cone 18) blast furnace brick was tried in a mixer having extra severe service. The brick were laid up with sillimanite mortar, and side walls and ends installed in herringbone fashion. Pencilling was reduced and the run on the mixer was 1 to 1½ months longer than usual. Thus, these new brick show considerable promise and several other plants are trying them.

Where neither high-duty fireclay brick nor high-fired (Cone 18) blast furnace brick are satisfactory, high-fired super-duty fireclay brick sometimes give better results. Partial or complete linings of these brick, laid with high alumina mortar—usually sillimanite—are giving outstanding results in some mixers. In one plant, where mica schist lasted but 2 or 3 months in a 1500-ton mixer, a lining of high-fired super-duty fireclay brick, laid in sillimanite air-setting mortar, was in excellent condition after it had

given about twice the average length of service obtained from mica schist. Cost of this lining was about $1\frac{1}{4}$ times that of the mica schist lining, but after about nine months service most of the lining was smooth, with virtually no erosion at the joints. This appearance indicates the superiority of sillimanite mortar for use with alumina-silica refractories. The lining was still in service after eighteen months, during which it had given about 7.2 times the average number of operating days, and 3.6 times the highest tonnage ever obtained with mica schist. According to optical pyrometer measurements, metal temperature was 2450-2500° F as it is poured from the mixer. These results were considered highly satisfactory, and the same materials were ordered for relining the mixer.

In another mixer, having the same temperature range, two different brands of high-fired super-duty fireclay brick were not successful, and unburned magnesite-chrome brick laid with chrome-magnesite mortar have been used for almost four years. (See Figs. 10 and 11.) Thus, results with high-fired super-duty brick are not always satisfactory for the slag line and below, but these brick can be expected to give good service in end walls above the slag line, and in roofs when high-duty fireclay brick shrink and spall.

Austrian Steel Works Modernizes

A \$7.4 million steel blooming mill makes Oesterreichisch-Alpine Montangesellschaft steel works in Donawitz, Austria, one of the most modern in Europe.

Located in the American zone of occupation the mill replaces one dismantled by the Russians in 1945 as war booty. It was financed by ECA funds.

Scheduled to furnish 60 per cent of Austria's semi-finished steel, the mill is equipped throughout with General Electric drives, controls and switchgear. Designed for a capacity of 75,000 tons of steel monthly, the mill was built and equipped by Morgan Engineering Co., Alliance, O.; International General Electric Co. and Loewy Rolling Mill Division, Hydropress Inc., New York.

The twin mill drive uses two 4000-hp, direct current motors operating on 800 v. These single armature, reversing motors produce 8000 hp at 50 rpm with a maximum of 120 rpm and a peak load capacity of 275 per cent. The motors can be reversed at the 50-rpm level in less than two seconds.

Electronic Brain Controls Gas Turbine

Limited production is started on a device for controlling flow of fuel to gas turbine engines at Hamilton Standard Division, United Aircraft Corp., East Hartford, Conn. Combining an electronic brain with hydro-mechanical brawn, the device already is being used by Pratt & Whitney Aircraft for its big J-57 engine and other applications are being developed. It has passed endurance tests on the engine in test cells and flight testing is in progress.

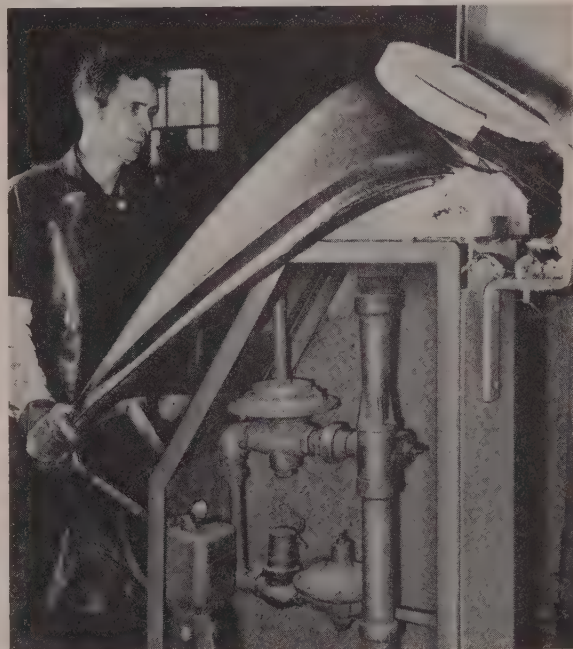
Fuel control relieves the pilot of a number of specialized duties involving operation of the turbine engine. It accurately governs the speed of the turbine wheel to a close tolerance. The electronic unit directly

senses the engine speed, the temperature of the air entering the engine, and the engine's tailpipe temperature. Any tendency by the engine to exceed its design limits of speed and operating temperature is promptly controlled by the electronic unit, which signals the hydraulic unit to reduce the flow of fuel to the combustion chambers.

Hydraulic unit, which serves as the brawn for the electronic unit, also prevents the engine from exceeding its operational limits. It measures the pressure of air in the engine's compressor section, and limits fuel flow to the engine when air pressures build up to the design limit. It also establishes a proportional minimum limit to the flow of fuel at a level which maintains engine operation during reduced power operations.

The electronic unit is founded on pioneering research in the field performed for the last eight years by Frank Offner of Offner Products Corp., Chicago.

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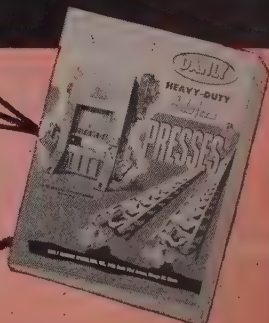


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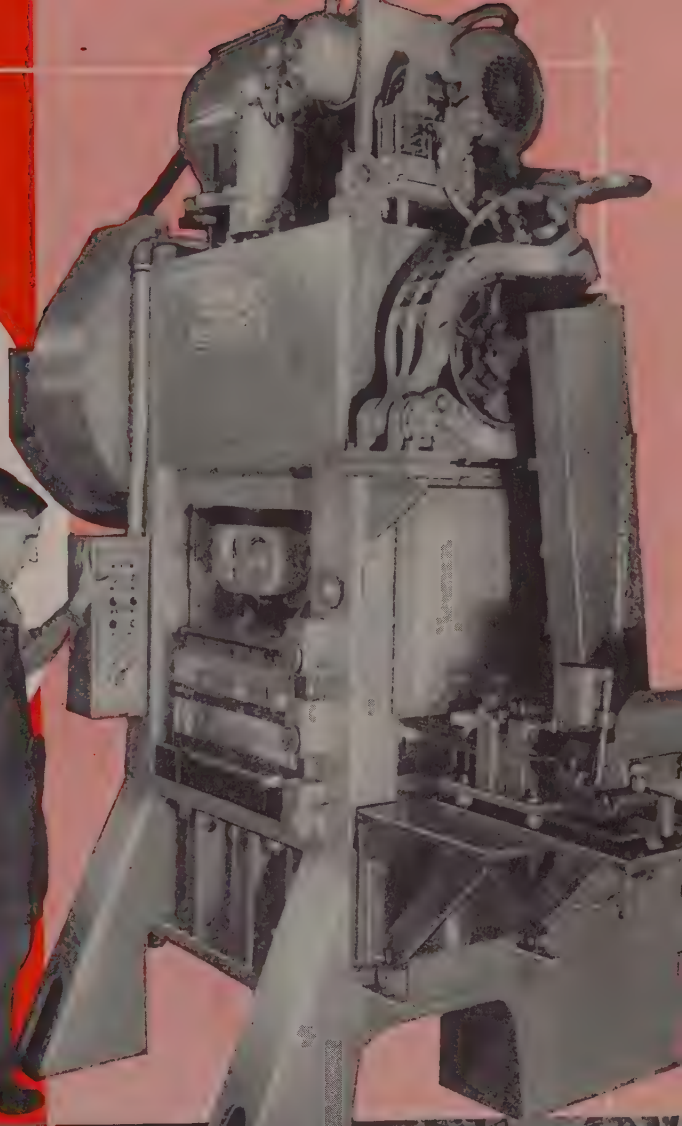
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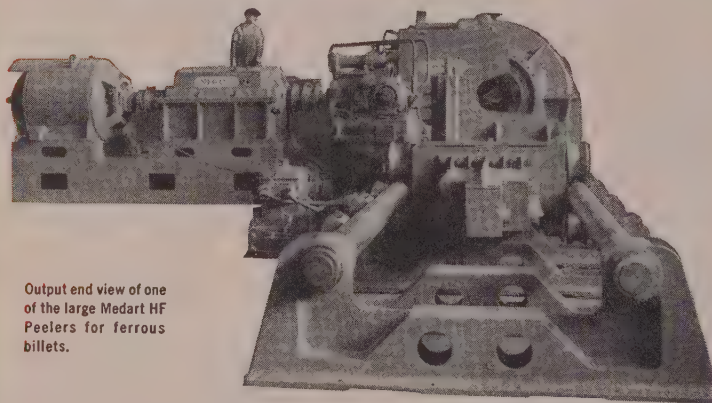


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Further advances in this method of broaching, using individual teeth, is expected as mass-production of jet engines proceeds, until broaching is used on all the surfaces of the blades for both compressors and turbines (except the airfoil surfaces). The use of separate teeth permits many setups that engineers have previously been restricted from using with the conventional multitooth sectional broach.

A particularly attractive feature is that each tooth can be used up completely. This means an appreciable saving in the consumption of high-speed tool steel.

A further step now receiving attention is the use of carbide tips on these individual broach teeth. This is really the motive behind developing the individual tooth idea in making broaches. As the materials used become more difficult to machine, the need for carbides and the "know-how" of grinding them clearly becomes more urgent.

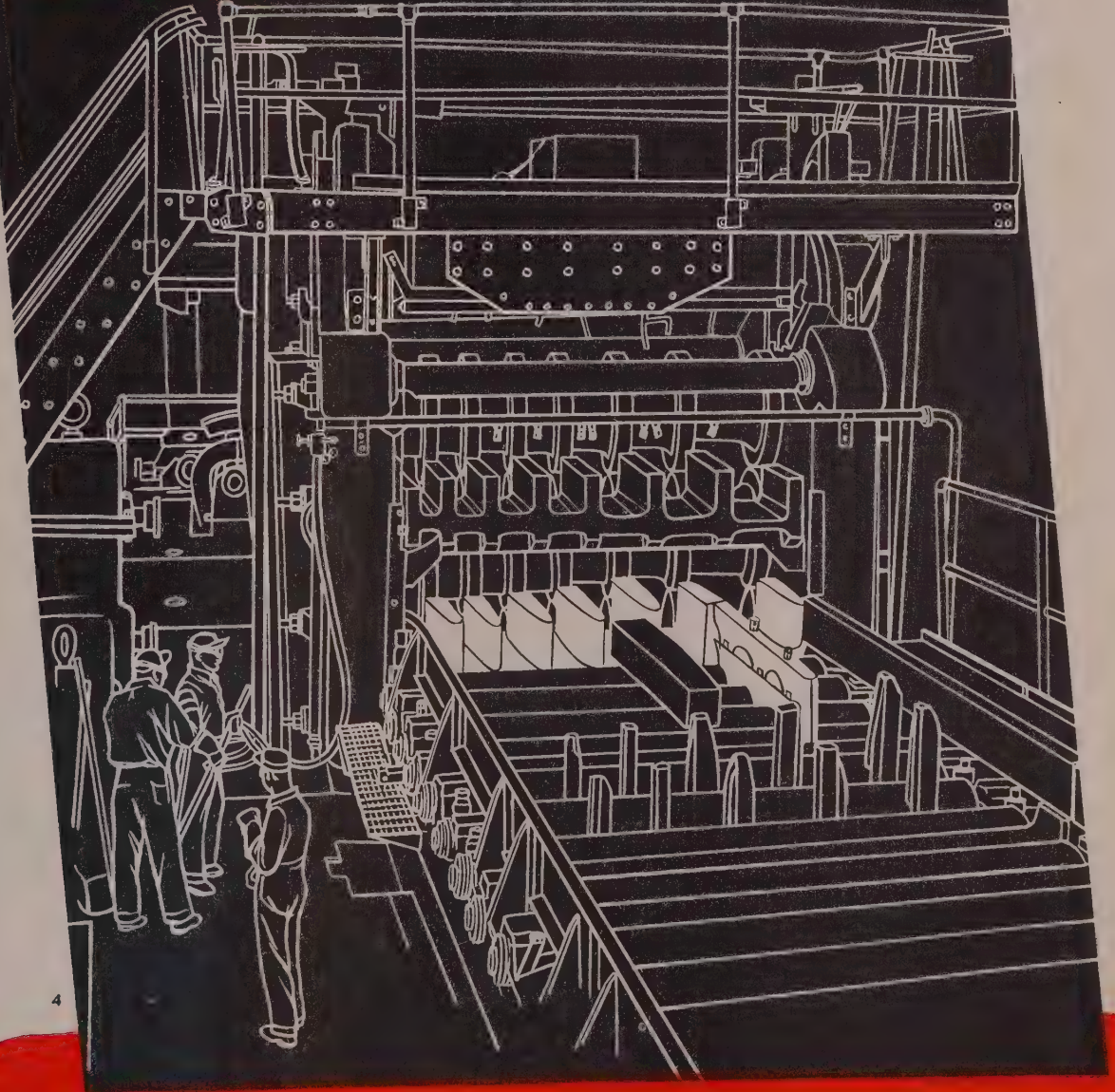
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Flexibility Plus Extra Rigidity — In producing compressor and turbine disks for new engine designs a large number of disks of various sizes is called for, all subject to design changes. The turret lathe's flexibility, combined with its more or less

"permanent" tooling, seemed the obvious answer to this requirement, provided that it could be combined with plenty of rigidity for easy machining of heat-resisting alloys with carbide tools.

Tool engineers recalled an early Harkness turret lathe design, antedating World War I, that had a heavy flat sliding-head turret carrying an abundance of tool-holding screws. They suggested to Jones & Lamson that this idea be incorporated in a modern design of heavy-duty turret lathe. Result was the rugged J & L 10-B cross-sliding turret lathe.

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The single-point tools are positioned in the holders by templates corresponding to the contour of the disk to be cut. Using an assortment of templates, it is believed possible to machine 16 different sizes of disks on both sides. Not all the tools for this range of sizes can be set up on the turret at once, of course, but it will handle at one time all the tools for machining both sides of two sizes of disks. Several tools can be used to remove metal simultaneously, in plunge-cutting the high-alloy forgings from which compressor and turbine disks are made.

New Instrument Practices

Two new tentative recommended practices are announced by Instrument Society of America. One concerns flowmeter installations, seal and condensate chambers.

Three methods of fabrication are shown on the drawings, each illustrative of acceptable manufacturing practices. Two alternate types of condensate or seal chamber are illustrated, each of which may be fitted with any of the three end arrangements. The form of seal and condensate chamber advocated by this recommended practice is consistent with those available either from manufacturers or by field fabrication, and is currently used in a majority of installations. Price is 50 cents each.

The other practice covers uniform face to face dimensions for flanged control valve bodies. Dimensions covered are face-to-face body dimensions for flanged end valves of both cast iron and steel through 600-pound flange ratings. Sizes included are ½ through 8 inches. Only flanged valves which are in the category of diaphragm actuated control valves of the plug type are included.

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Y-Type Reversing Mill Described

Bulletin No. 1D51, a 16-page technical booklet that describes and illustrates the Y-type reversing cold strip mill, is being distributed by Mackintosh-Hemphill Co., 9th and Bingham Sts., Pittsburgh 3. Mill is available in widths ranging from 16 to 66 inches, or larger, for the cold rolling of all grades of steel, brass, copper, aluminum and similar metals. The manufacturer claims the Y-type roll arrangement, using small diameter work rolls in a compact, rigid housing, results in greater penetrating ability than other types of mills. Greater accuracy of finished gage, and equivalent surface finish also are claimed for the mill.

The mill in general is discussed with specific attention given to its design, the roll arrangement and tentative gage reduction schedules. A large

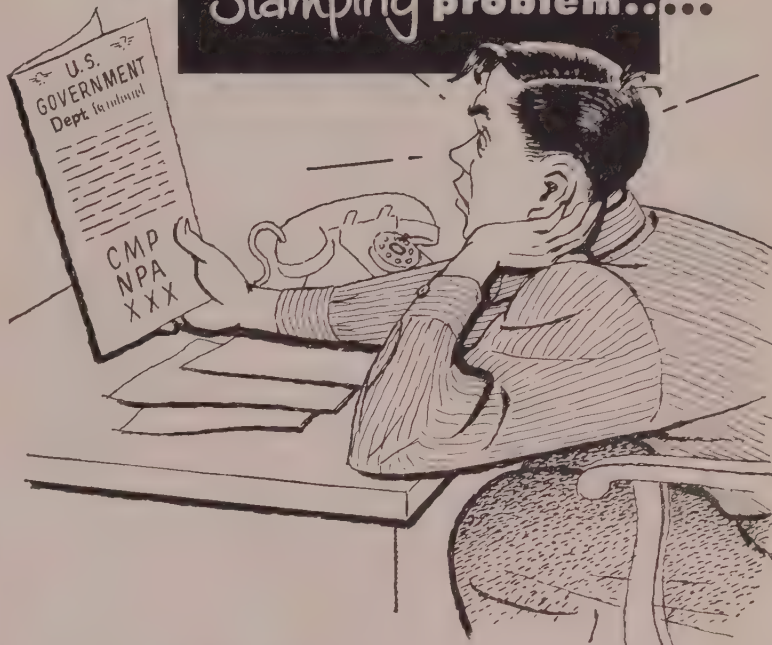
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Gear Distortion Curbed Sharply

Development of a new gear-manufacturing process employing carborization, which limits distortion to 0.001-inch per foot of diameter, is announced by Gunnar E. Gunderson, president of the Brad Foote Gear Works Inc., Chicago.

Although the process of carborization has long been recognized as a hardening method in the manufacture of gears, he explains, this process is unique in that the heat treatment is controlled to an unprecedented extent. The accuracy of the heat regulation accounts for the fine tolerances achieved, he says. As an example, he points out that with the new process there are now some 20-inch gears in production which distort less than 0.0015 inch, while the distortion of identical gears manufactured by the old method varies from 0.015 to as much as 0.045-inch.

Brad Foote's refinement of carborization hardens the meshing surfaces of the teeth in the gears to a high degree while leaving the cores of the teeth soft but tough. The result is that a certain flexibility is realized, the advantage being that the impact on the teeth is reduced through absorption of some of the shock by the soft cores, he says. Accordingly the specially treated gears are longer wearing while the efficiency of machinery containing them is substantially improved.

Military Bearings To Be Canned

Timken Roller Bearing Co., Canton, O., being a large supplier of bearings for the armed forces, is actively co-operating with them in an effort to solve the corrosion and shipment damage problem by packaging the bearings in metal cans. Several packaging machines have been purchased and a pilot line is being set up to try various methods of packaging the bearings in this manner and to determine the type of can which will be most practical.

This type of packaging, being new

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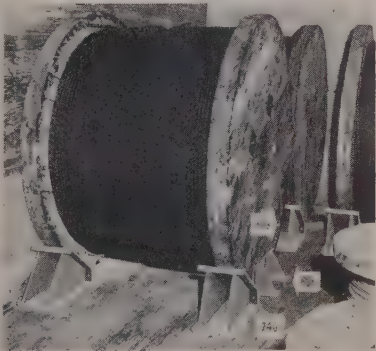
to the bearing industry, will be thoroughly tested before it is offered to the armed forces. It is believed that canned bearings can be stored under the worst conditions for a period of time up to ten years without deterioration of the bearings.

Test Standards Get Approval

Featured by 23 technical sessions at which 110 technical papers were presented covering various aspects of engineering materials, the 1951 annual meeting of the American Society for Testing Materials, held at Atlantic City, N. J., also included 615 meetings of the technical committees.

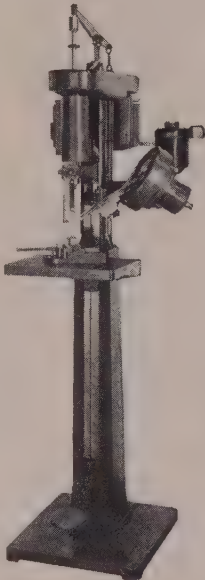
Sixty-two of the society's technical committees reported at the meeting, with the result that 57 new specifications and tests were approved and revisions in over 200 existing tentatives and standards were acted on. About 75 specifications and tests that have been published previously as tentative were approved for reference to society letter ballot for adoption as standard. All of these new and revised specifications will be published later in the year. Including the 1951 annual meeting actions there are now about 1775 ASTM standards. This compares with the figure 20 years ago of 625 and ten years ago of about 1045. These figures indicate a definitely increased tempo in standardization activities during the last decade.

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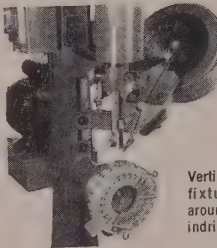
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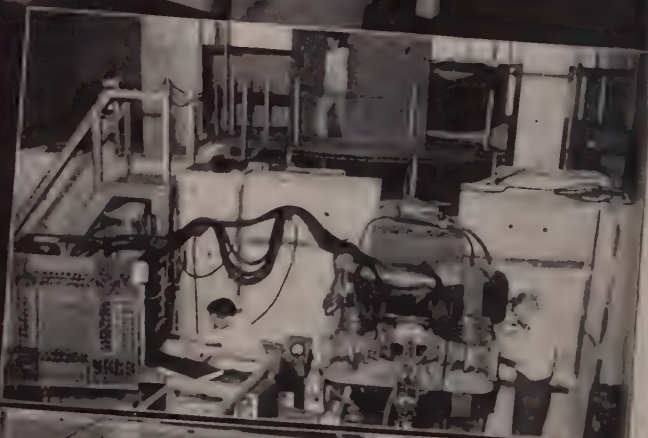
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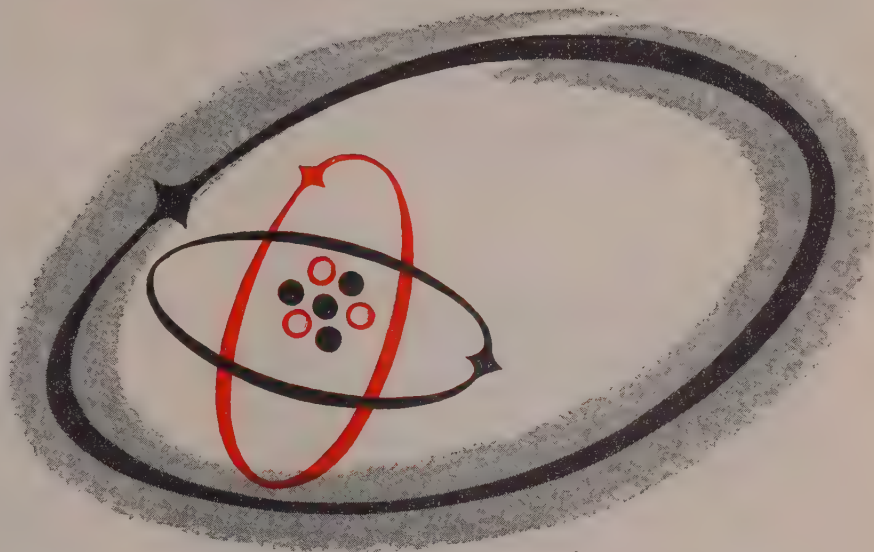
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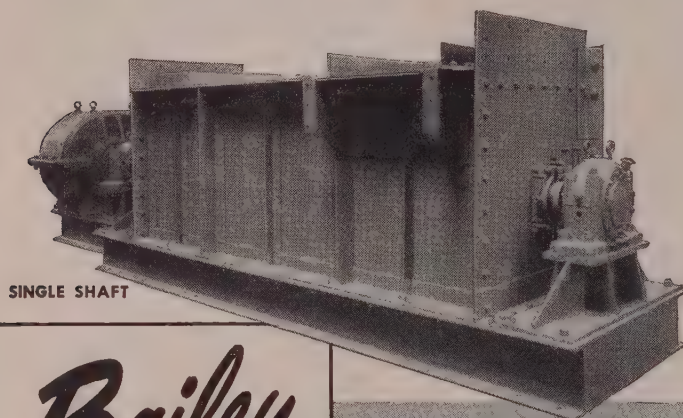
This unscientific method of casting was in sharp contrast to advances made in the pure metallurgy of solders, babbitts, type metals, etc. It

was an anachronism, and development engineers at Federated Metals Division, American Smelting and Refining Co., set out to do something about it.

To achieve their objective they decided the following were prerequisite: A means of withdrawing molten metal for casting from the bottom of the melting kettle. This would reduce dross entrapment to a minimum. Closed molds for the metal casting. This would give uniformity of dimension and controlled cooling. Means of rapid cooling and solidification to reduce aggregation. Means of con-

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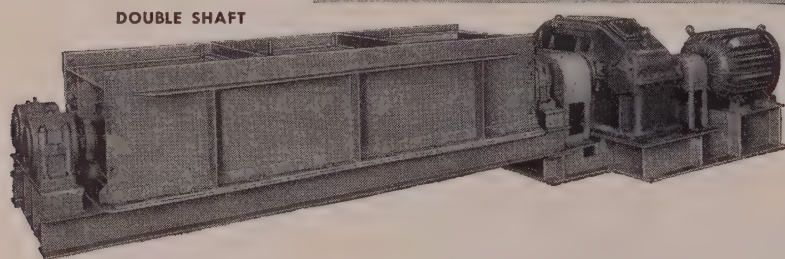
Following early success of the first experimental model, seven patented Castomatic machines were built and put into service at various Federated plants. Briefly described, an installation is made up of the following components: Melting kettle, molten metal circulating pump, molten metal circulating system, molds that connect to suitable outlet parts on the molten metal circulating system, a hydraulic system that furnishes the power re-



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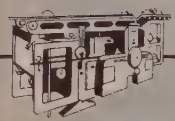
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num sheet and extruded products. Final approval of these items is expected in the near future. Progress of the current expansion program and operating procedures under the Controlled Materials Plan were among other industry problems discussed.

Attendance, which is restricted to member company personnel and invited guests, totaled about 140. Association membership now includes 42 companies, which account for all primary aluminum produced in the United States and about 85 per cent of all semifabricated products.

Plating Prolongs Pin Life

Four advantages are claimed by Baldwin-Duckworth Division, Chain Belt Co., for their present method of copper-plating roller chain pins. It assures optimum hardness, uniformly good riveting, greatest holding power and permits easy chain cutting.

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Vacuum Impregnation of Resins

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Design Change Cuts Costs

One change in the design of the boom tilt mechanism on the PH 862-130 lift truck made by Gerlinger Carrier Co., Dallas, Oreg., resulted in a saving of 32.6 per cent in assembly labor costs. Old specifications used a hot-rolled mill tubing cylinder with welded flanges. New arrangement employs Rockrite close-tolerance compression-formed tubing, distributed by Joseph Ryerson & Son, Chicago, the substitute method directly responsible for present production economies.

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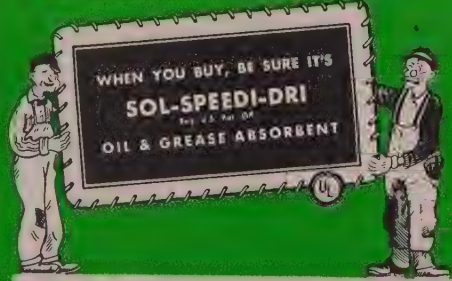


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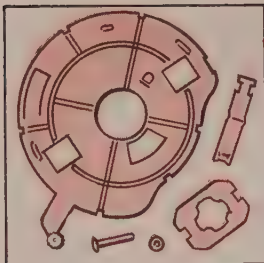
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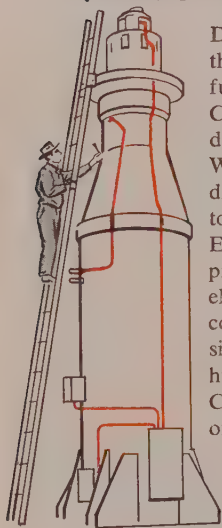
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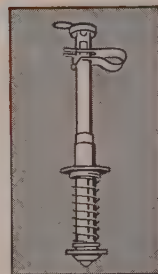
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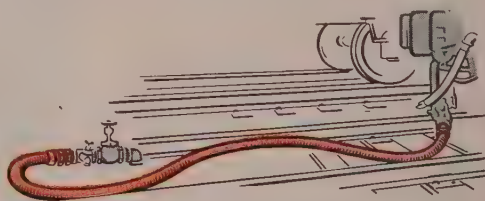
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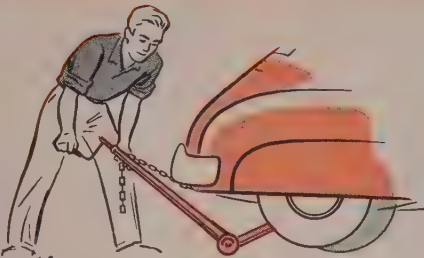


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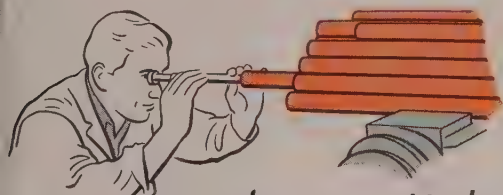
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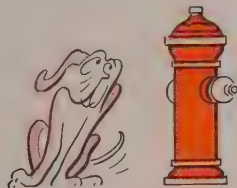
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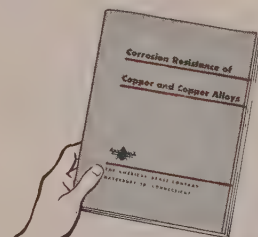
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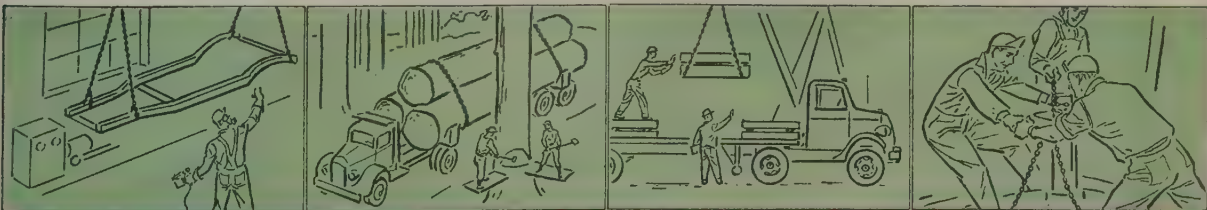
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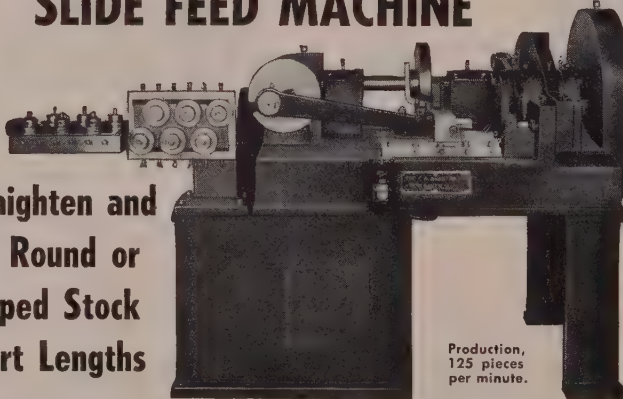
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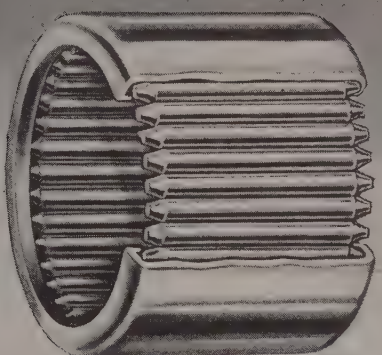
New Carbon Brush Booklet

A new two-color, 28-page booklet entitled "Carbon Brushes for Electric Equipment" is available from General Electric Co., Schenectady 5, N. Y. It describes and illustrates the fundamental consideration given to design, application, and manufacture of carbon brushes and includes a section on brush terminology. Produced to familiarize users with the physical

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characteristics that must be known before proper recommendation can be made for brush application, the booklet also tells of their engineering services offered to help solve specific brush problems.

Included are sections on types of brushes, characteristics of brush grades, brush grade recommendations, mechanical design of brushes, and tips on brush replacement.

New Corrosion Laboratory

Scientists in the nation's newest corrosion laboratory can simulate a tropical typhoon or a sunny day in the mountains. Opened recently at Armour Research Foundation of Illinois Institute of Technology, it will concentrate on newer, less expensive ways to combat corrosion.

Special humidity cabinets and salt spray units enable scientists to study corrosion inhibitors (rust preventers) under simulated field conditions. Insulated "hot boxes" permit laboratory men to watch corrosion take place at 160° F.

Dr. Edward Schwogler, research organic chemist, who will supervise activities in the new laboratory states: "By developing new and improving present corrosion inhibitors, we hope to cut the nation's annual corrosion bill. This amounts to about \$5.5 billion, or \$37 per person annually."

New and better corrosion inhibitors are essential to the defense effort. Often, high-precision, carefully machined equipment is corroded so badly during shipment that it can never be used.

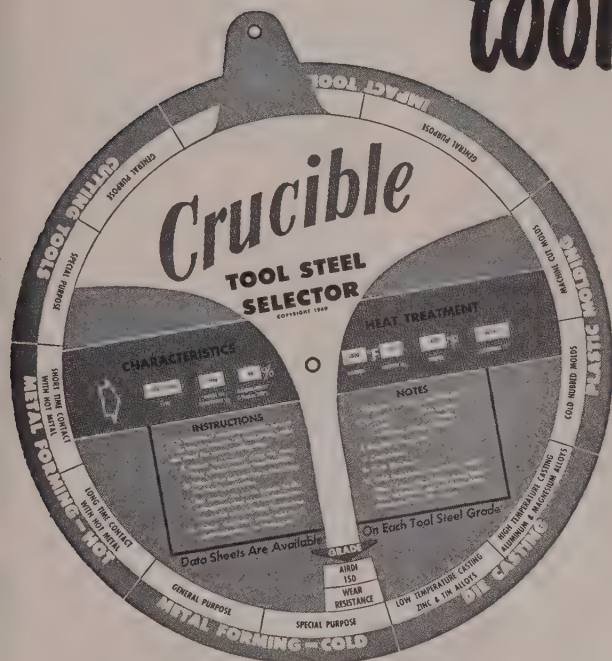
Magnet Tested at 40,000 KW

Westinghouse electrical equipment, specially designed to power the two billion electron-volt Cosmotron has successfully passed its first tests at the Brookhaven National Laboratory, Upton, N. Y. This was disclosed with the announcement by the laboratory that the 2200-ton magnet—key component of the accelerator—has been tested at its full power of 40,000 kw. Other elements are now being added and the complete machine should be ready for trial runs early next year.

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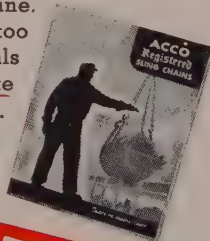
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IBM Using Cathode Ray Storage

The cathode ray tube storage system developed by Prof. F. C. Williams, English radar expert, is being introduced by International Business Machines Corp., New York, into its electronic calculators. IBM will use the Williams system under a licensing agreement with the National Research Development Corp. of London. The agreement gives IBM full use throughout the world of NRDC patents in the computing field, including many involved in the new Manchester University digital computer.

In the cathode ray storage system, information required in a calculation is stored in the form of dots and dashes on the face of the tube in a manner similar to the projection of a picture on a home television tube. The information is read back from the tube to the electronic computer in a few millionths of a second, by passing the cathode ray beam over the same area. As many as 2048 items of information have been stored on a cathode ray tube with a 24-square inch screen.

Alloy Casting Research Expands

Expansion of its technical research program is being undertaken by Alloy Casting Institute, Mineola, N. Y., to help meet mounting defense mobilization needs and other engineering and equipment requirements dependent on the use of stainless steel castings. Three new projects closely keyed to current production and supply problems of the industry and its customers are being instituted at major research laboratories.

In view of the greatly increased demand for high alloy castings and the concurrent shortages of alloying elements, the technical research committee is concentrating its alloy conservation studies at Battelle Memorial Institute on the high temperature properties of the 21 per cent chromium, 10 per cent nickel type alloy. Development of titanium-stabilized corrosion resistant castings, for use in aircraft production, is to be carried out at Ohio State University. In addition, an extensive study of improved gating systems for high alloy casting production will be conducted as part of the program underway at Massachusetts Institute of Technol-

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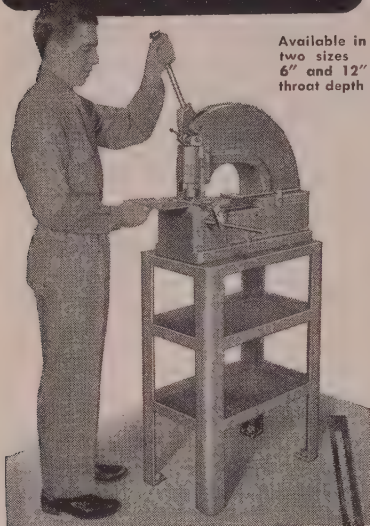
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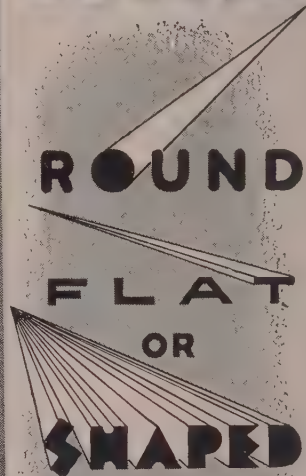
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the Brinell method. Also included is the ASTM recommendation for determining the type of ball penetrator to be used with different hardness ranges.

Battery Guide Issued

Gould-National Batteries Inc., Trenton 7, N.J., announces a 56-page revised edition of its free pocket-size handbook of technical instructions and engineering data on the care of motive-power storage batteries. Major addition to the handbook is a six-page section on battery charging. Included in this section is information on modified constant voltage and two rate charging; boosts, equalizing and emergency charging; control of discharge by four different methods; automatic control of charging by both ampere-hour meter and voltage relay timer; manual control of charging by specific gravity and volt ampere methods; tips on steel-tray battery charging; and charging equipment maintenance.

A section of the handbook contains four pages on the theory of the lead-acid battery. Text gives basic information on specific gravity changes of battery electrolyte, charging and discharging cycles, positive and negative plate composition, and other battery operation principles which constitute the theoretical background upon which good care and maintenance procedures are based.

Following the theory section are four practical sections: Care and operation, maintenance and repairs, parts and technical data. The care and operation section of the Gould handbook gives instructions for receiving, placing in service, operating, maintaining and charging the storage battery. Also included in this section are suggestions for the storage and use of hydrometers and thermometers.

Copies of the new handbook can be obtained without charge by writing to the company.

Alternate Stainless Described

An illustrated booklet, "A Guide to Type 430 Stainless Steels as Alternates of the 18-8 Series," is released by Republic Steel to help manufacturers affected by defense restrictions in the use of chromium-nickel stainless steel.

The new booklet describes type 430 stainless steel and its modifications (which contain no nickel) in comparison with types 302 and 304 (now restricted due to nickel content).

Data are given concerning performance under corrosive conditions, and the mechanical properties related to

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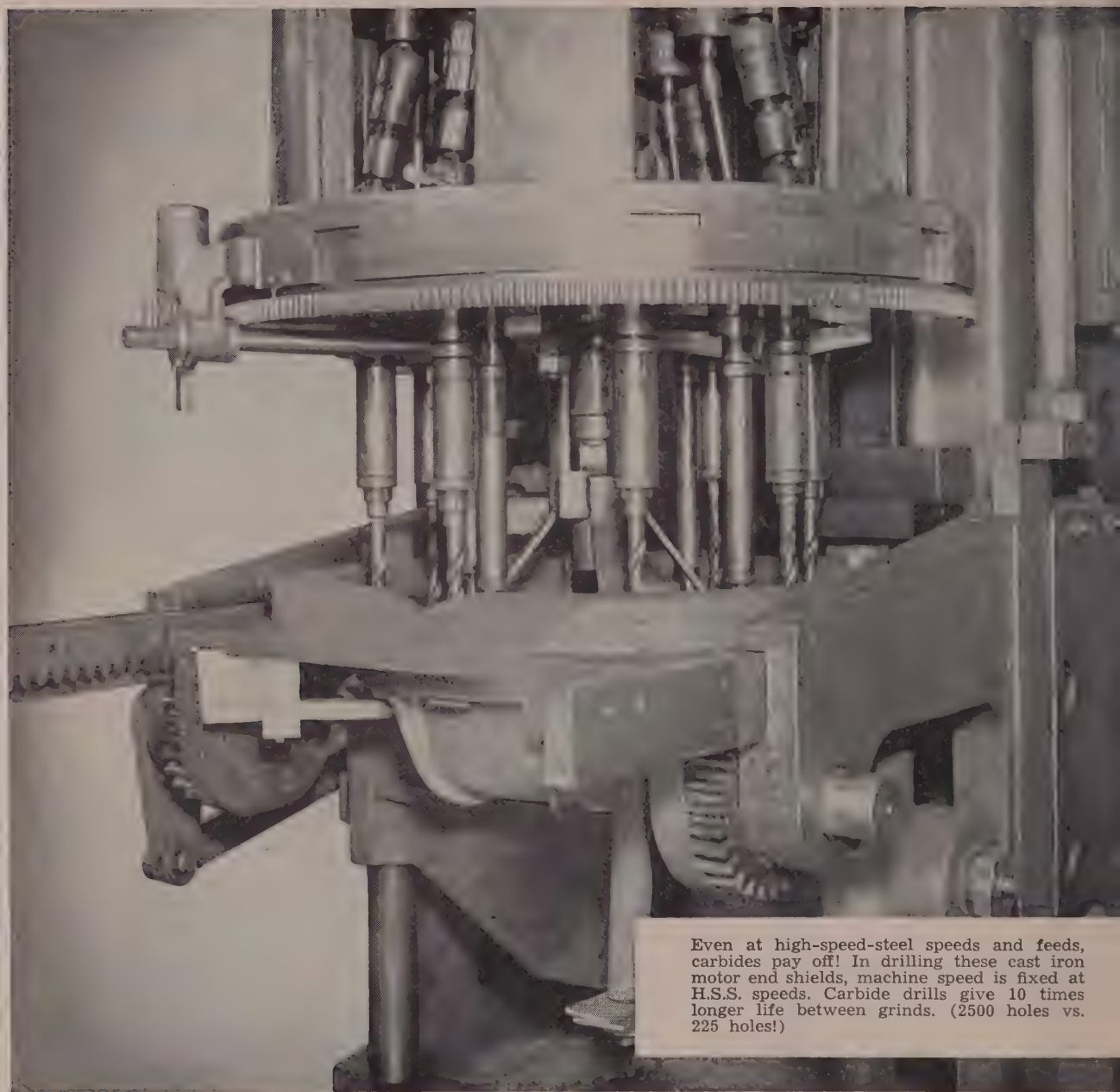
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high temperature uses. Drawing, forming, welding, and polishing of type 430 stainless steels are discussed at length, with references to the differences in these operations arising when 430 is used as an alternate for types 302 and 304. The booklet may be obtained from Republic Steel Corp., Cleveland 1.

Electronic Facilities Described

Organization and facilities available for electronic design, development, and production are described in a folder published by the Sierra Electronic group in San Carlos, Calif. Besides illustrating the newly-completed physical plant of this organization, the 8-page folder shows a number of products engineered for aeronautical research, low-frequency transmission, etc.

Supplier's Metallurgists Helpful

A great deal of time and expense can be saved, and many headaches avoided, if supplier's metallurgists are consulted before a beryllium copper alloy is specified and material ordered for a given job, says Henry S. Freynik, director of research for Riverside Metal Co., Riverside, N. J. He urges product and design engineers preparing material specifications to submit complete records of past experiences with other materials on the same or similar jobs, plus a detailed statement of manufacturing requirements. To illustrate his point, the research head cites the electron tube contact machining problem that came his way via Riverside's Keystone Watch Case Division.

In this instance, the customer specified the material, which was 0.265-inch round rod, 2 per cent standard beryllium copper alloy, (ASTM B-196) soft or solution annealed. This specification provides for material with maximum tensile strength of 85,000 psi and minimum elongation of 20 per cent. Production was started, and two serious difficulties arose almost at once. Many parts broke at base of the shank during machining when cutting tool was brought against the stock. In addition, it was found that parts that survived the turning operation without parting frequently warped out of shape during heat treating.

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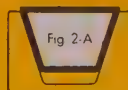
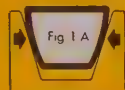
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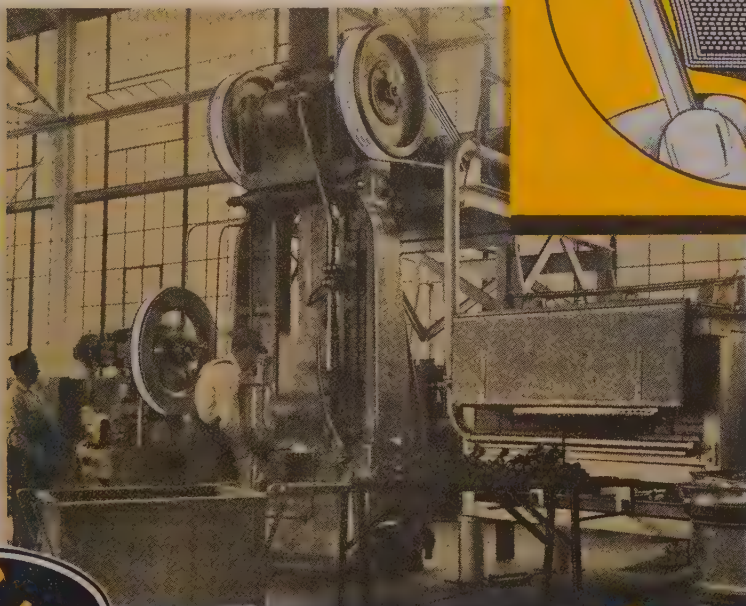


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breakage during machining was negligible, and serviceability of finished parts was actually increased, since precipitation hardening of the hard temper alloy produced finished material with minimum tensile strength of 175,000 psi as compared to the 150,000 psi tensile strength resulting when softer material was used initially.

Space Available for Subcontracts

More than 80 years of experience in the manufacturing of sheet metal products and components are outlined in a booklet issued by Penn Metal Corp. of Penna., Philadelphia. The booklet is aimed at attracting either prime or subcontracts from the government or private industry for the development and manufacture of essential products.

Illustrations show both the manufacturing facilities and machinery available and the products normally manufactured to give interested concerns an idea of the type of work the company can do. Information is furnished about the company's labor record and the key management personnel.

Chain Uses Can Be Improved

A bulletin entitled "Installation, Operation and Maintenance of Chain Drives and Conveyors" has just been published by Chain Belt Co. Of interest to all who design, install, maintain or operate chain drives and conveyors, this bulletin shows how to get the most service from sprocket chains.

It is published in the theory that no matter how excellent a chain might be in design and construction, it will not give complete satisfaction unless it is properly installed and operated; given periodical inspection, lubrication and adjustment. Request bulletin No. 51-7 from Chain Belt Co., 1600 W. Bruce St., Dept. PR, Milwaukee 4.

Weight Problems Solved Quickly

A calculator for rapidly figuring out the weight of sheet metal is being offered by Dayton Rogers Mfg. Co. Weight of any material may be found by determining the ratio of the material to that of steel.

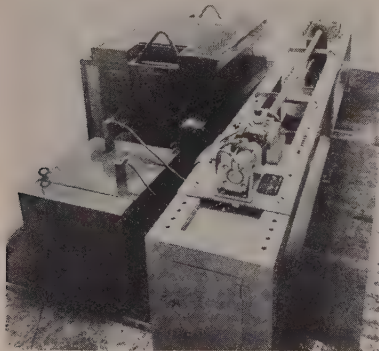
Thickness is set opposite the width and weight appears opposite the length. Small size of the calculator makes it convenient to carry in a pocket. Request should be made on company letterheads and addressed to Dayton Rogers Mfg. Co., 2824-13th Ave. S., Minneapolis 7.



New Products and Equipment

Torsion Bar Heat Treat

Frank C. Cheston Co., 30 Church St., New York 7, N. Y., is producing a unit for heat-treating 77-inch torsion bars for light, medium and heavy Army tanks. Units bring 1 to 2½-inch diameter bars to 1600° F in heating periods ranging from 1 minute 30 seconds to 4 minutes, eliminating diameter loss through scaling and decarburization and giving con-



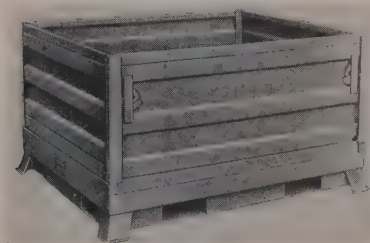
stant Rockwell readings through length of bar. They can be used for annealing bars between draws, heating for straightening bars, heating for making bolts, rivets, etc.

Unit will handle bars of any diameter from ¾ to 2½ inches, any length from 4½ to 30 feet in temperature ranges from 200 to 2200° F.

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Collapsible Dump Box

A collapsible materials handling box that can be dumped by a lift truck with a revolving apron is a development of Phillips Mine & Mill Supply Co., 2309 Jane St., Pittsburgh



3, Pa. It can be collapsed or erected in less than 20 seconds and is equipped with reinforced guide holes on all four sides for entry by the prongs of a fork lift truck.

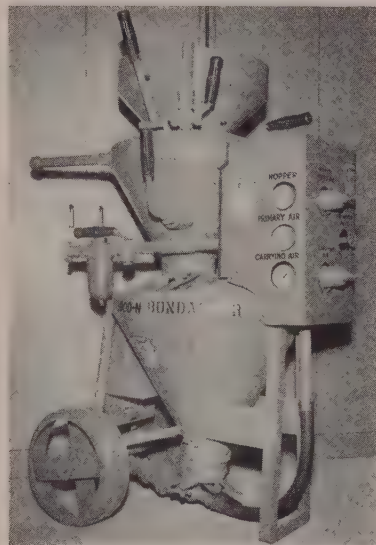
Model B-50-F has a capacity of 5000 pounds and is completely self-contained without loose pins or parts. It folds to a collapsed height of less

than 10 inches, permitting several boxes to be stored in a small space. The heavy gage corrugated steel box is held in an erected position by a safety lock with a safety catch.

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Refractory Patching Machine

A redesigned Bondact machine is available from Eastern Clay Products Inc., Jackson, O. Air placement of refractory patching materials is accomplished by ramming them into



position by air pressure. This method has proved effective for cupolas as well as for open and mixing ladles.

A larger hopper provides capacity for the refractory being applied. Improved control of the pressure makes possible a more exacting control over the moisture content of the patch, resulting in a more uniform and durable lining. Gages are grouped together to simplify operations.

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Remote Area Dust Control

Area dust control designed to operate as a independent unit is announced by Day Co., 810 Third Ave., Minneapolis 13, Minn. Dust laden air enters at the side of the unit and spirals down to the cone outlet. As the cleaned air spirals up through the internal skimmer stack, most extra fine dust particles carried upward with the outgoing air, are concentrated by the tapered stack. Here they are skimmed off and returned to the dust outlet.

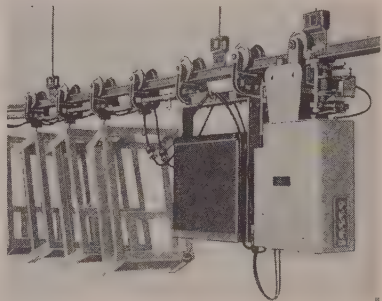
Dust control operates at 6 inches external static pressure and the fan

can be discharged at any 45 degree interval. Available in four sizes from 500 to 2000 cfm, the unit can be furnished with or without secondary filters.

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Independent Conveyor System

Bloom System Inc., 19431 W. Davison Ave., Detroit 23, Mich., announces development of an overhead conveyor system called the Mono-Dyne. Unit is battery powered eliminating the need of complicated overhead wiring. Design is such that it can be easily



incorporated into present manually operated systems, making them power operated at minimum expense.

Unit is capable of multispeeds, forward and reverse, and is operated by pushbutton control or remote control. It can operate outdoors from plant to plant as well as inside and is capable of ascending grades. System may be used for production line conveying, materials handling and for the general transportation of materials and goods.

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Compact Pumping Units

Simplification and compactness are features of the heavy-duty type HG axial rolling piston pump operating at speeds up to 1800 rpm announced



by Oilgear Co., 1596A W. Pierce St., Milwaukee 4, Wis. Delivering pressures up to 3000 and 5000 psi the units are of the fixed stroke type, the volume of oil delivered varying

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Check No. 6 on Reply Card for more Details

Battery Operated Stacker

Combination fork lift stacker and hand truck with elevating platform operating from a standard 6 volt automobile battery is introduced by Clark-Hopkins Equipment Corp., 1124 Spring Garden St., Philadelphia 23, Pa. It is capable of moving, lifting and stacking loads weighing up to



750 pounds. Battery activated motor mechanism operates the hydraulic lift and the built-in charger replaces battery drain during off-hours.

The stacker has a platform 18 x 21 inches wide as standard equipment. Large load wheels in the back and swivel casters at the front make it highly maneuverable.

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Small But Powerful

Model 3600 tractor is added to its line of material handling equipment by Kalamazoo Mfg. Co., Kalamazoo 24, Mich. Tractor is powered with a 13 hp Wisconsin engine through an automotive type clutch and three speed and reverse transmission.

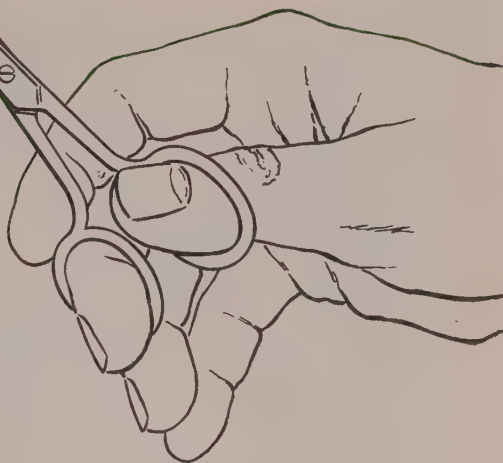
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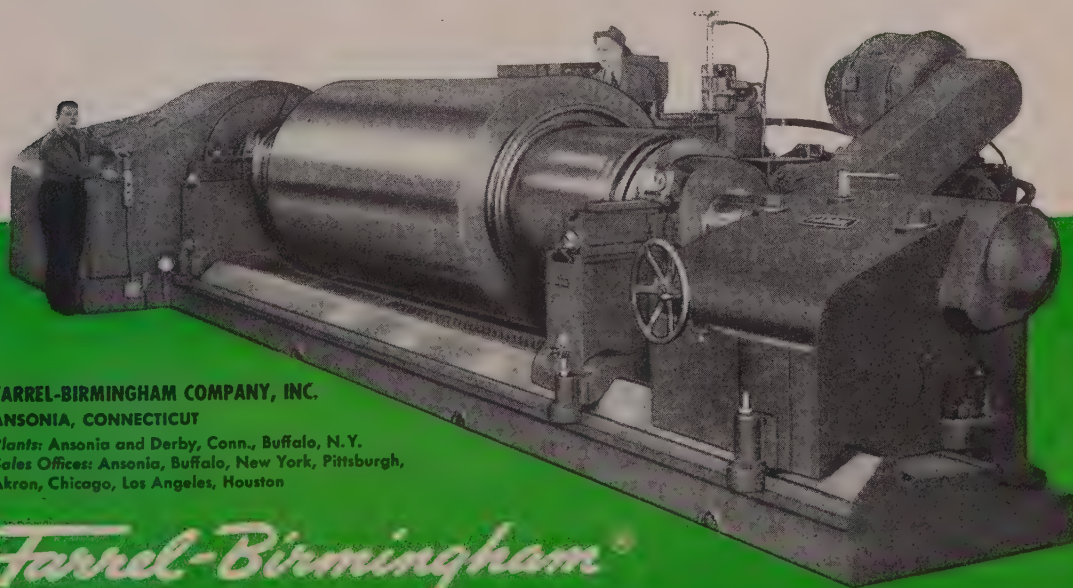
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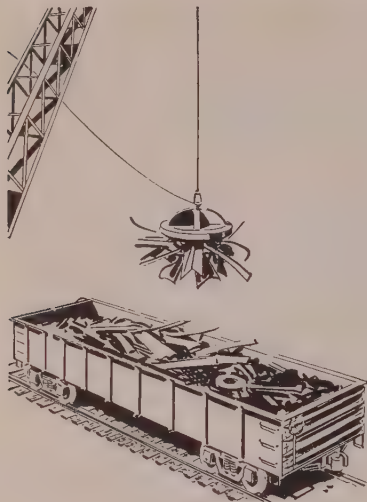


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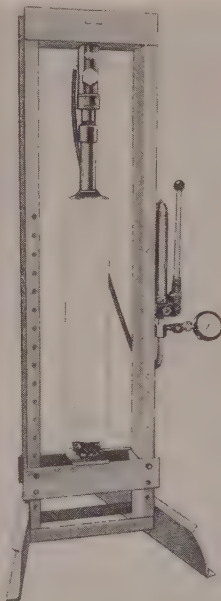
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ing space of 11 square feet on the tractor itself can be utilized for additional material. Maximum speed of the truck is 10 mph. Overall length is 79 inches and overall width is 42 inches.

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Arbor Press Mounts Buffs

A hand operated 20-ton hydraulic arbor press is being introduced by Clair Mfg. Co., 1019 S. Union St., Olean, N. Y. It was developed for mounting buff and polishing spindles for Clair surface finishing machines, but is also suitable for additional op-



erations such as broaching, assembling, straightening, bending, etc.

In the buff mounting operation illustrated, a hollow ram extension slips over the polishing spindle to exert pressure downwards on the polishing buffs. Table can be adjusted to any desired height for other types of operations. Offering a ram travel of 5 inches, the design permits the pump and ram to be removed from the steel framework and used throughout the plant as a portable unit. Dimensions inside the framework are 17¼ x 60 inches.

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Mounting the fingertip control lever on the steering column simplifies operation of the electric Carloader made by Industrial Truck Division, Clark Equipment Co., Battle Creek, Mich. This makes possible the selection of direction of travel and the engagement of the first point of power si-

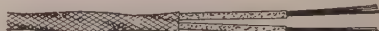
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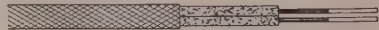
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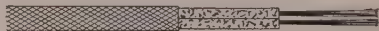
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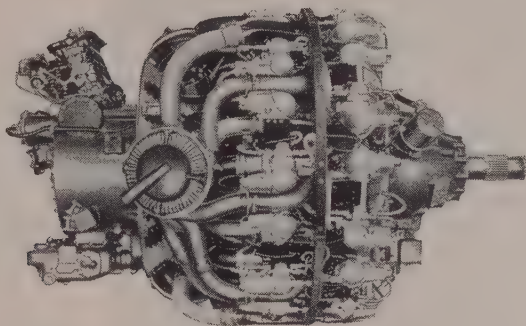
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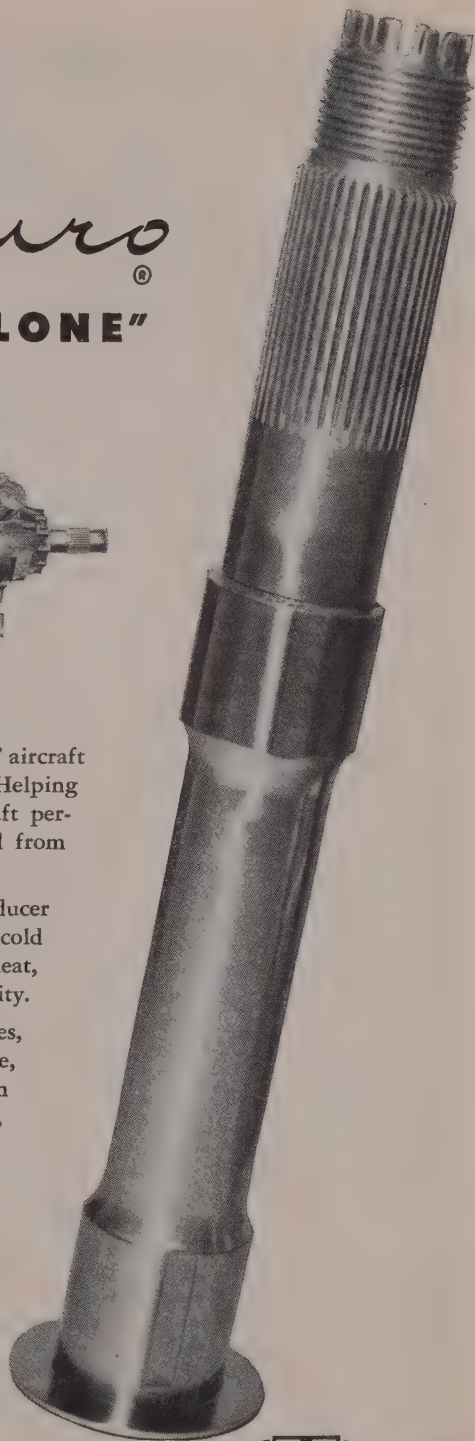
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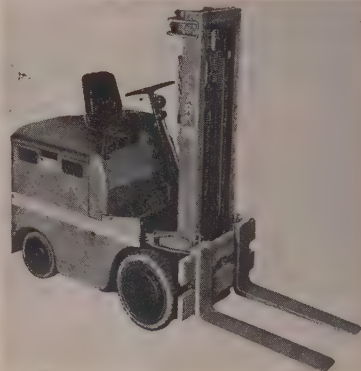
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moval from the truck, and is quickly removed so battery can be lifted out. Either or both side louvers may be removed, in order to slide the battery out either side of the machine. Standard equipment includes cushion tires and cushion seat with backrest. Model 4024 has a 4000-pound capacity and model 5024 has a 5000-pound capacity.

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Core Rod Saved

Foundry operators can use the same core rods and gagers several times by using the core rod straightener and shear machine made by American Wheelabrator & Equipment Corp., Mishawaka, Ind. The machine will operate as fast as material can be fed into it and labor savings of 50 per cent or more are possible. Two heavy steel dies, one movable and the other stationary, straighten one rod at a time. The dies close as a contracting square upon the work and straighten it by a blow delivered simultaneously on four sides. Big kinks in rods can be quickly removed first in the bending jaws of the machine.

Machines are available in four sizes and rods from $\frac{3}{8}$ to $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches in diameter can be straightened in the dies, rods up to $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches in diameter can be sheared. A special gagger-forming attachment is available on the machines as optional equipment. It is built to accommodate rods

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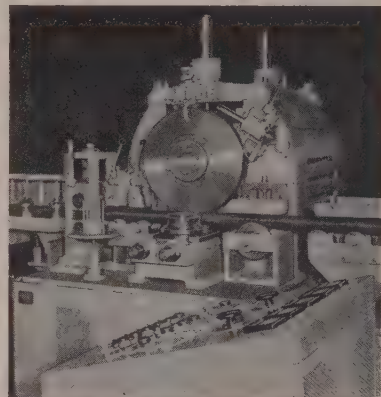
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up to 5/8-inch diameter and makes a right-angle bend in one operation. Compressed air at a minimum pressure of 90 psi will efficiently operate the machine.

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Efficient Tube Welding

Tube welder developed by Yoder Co., 5500 Walworth Ave., Cleveland 2, O., combines higher electrical efficiency with mechanical improvements. It will handle tube sizes ranging from 1/4-inch up to the large sizes required for oil country goods and similar uses



and can be supplied in power capacities from 50 kva to any size desired by the customer.

Outstanding feature of the welder is the transformer which actually consists of four smaller transformers arranged in the form of an offset cross. A single core is enveloped by the four transformers so that the flux patterns in the four sections are identical. This design reduces the impedance to such an extent that one of the new transformers will have a percentage of impedance as low as that of a transformer one-quarter as large. Advantages for the user are lower power cost and higher production speed from a welder of a given capacity rating while staying within the rating of the unit.

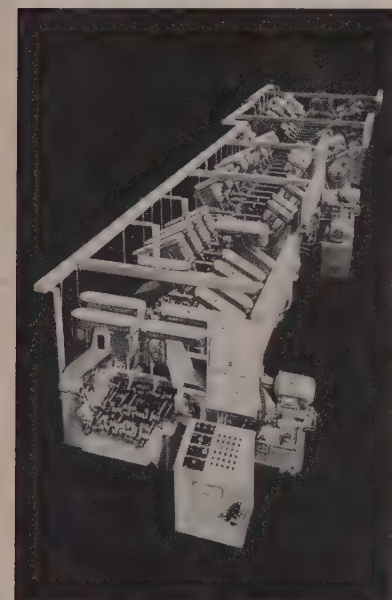
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Drills and Lightens Crankshafts

A 43-station, automatic transfer machine featuring auto-sequencing control has been built by Snyder Tool & Engineering Co., 3400 E. Lafayette, Detroit 7, Mich., for drilling all oil passages and lightening holes in cast iron alloy crankshafts. Machine has a production capacity of 74 pieces an hour at 100 per cent or 52 pieces an hour at 70 per cent efficiency.

Crankshafts are automatically positioned and clamped hydraulically

prior to drilling at each station. Indexing throughout the work cycle is accomplished automatically by a hydraulic transfer-type unit. Holes are blown out and automatically inspected at the last station. High speed steel tools revolve at 40 fpm



with a feed of 0.008-inch per revolution on lightening holes and controlled feed on oil passages. Drills for oil holes are mounted in keyless, hand-operated chucks. Stroke is 16 inches station to station.

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Chuck for Angle, Snake Drilling

Ritmar Co., Long Island, N. Y., introduces a new chuck for angle and snake drilling. It consists of two pieces, the chuck which is slotted to grip the drill and has two protrusions that prevent drill from turning and the chuck lock adapter with female threads at one end that fit the chuck to lock the drill in place. Chucks are made for broken drills or regular drills with short shanks.

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Quick Action Clamps

Four new heavy capacity quick action clamps are offered by Lapeer Mfg. Co., Lapeer, Mich. Model CAV-1200 has recommended force of 1200 pounds at end of toggle bar and 2550 pounds with spindle located 3 3/8-inch from front of base. Model CAV-2000 has recommended force of 2000 pounds at end of toggle bar, 4150 pounds with spindle 3 1/4-inch from front of base. Models CAS-1200 and CAS-2000 are like those mentioned,

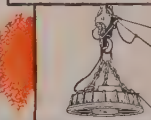


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but have advantage of permitting toggle bar to swivel around base to any position within 180 degrees.

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Sleeve Bolt Fastener

When using the new expansion sleeve-type fastener made by Square Tool & Die Co., Chicago 22, Ill., the bolt is inserted in the hole and a pneumatic tool drives bolt through sleeve and expands six prongs at bottom of sleeve. This forms a tight grip which vibration cannot work loose. Bolt head automatically countersinks itself below wood surface. The fastener is made in sizes from ¼ to 1-inch diameter with hex, square, round, flat or slotted heads.

Check No. 16 on Reply Card for more Details

Two-Jawed Drill Chuck

A two-jawed drill chuck is available from Westcott Chuck Co., Oneida, N. Y., in three sizes: No. 119-3, capacity 0 to ½-inch; No. 119-5, capacity 0 to ¾-inch; No. 119-6, capacity 0 to 1-inch.

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Micrometer with Rounded Anvil

No. 211 micrometer, made by L. S. Starrett Co., Athol, Mass., has a rounded anvil and can be used for measuring wall thickness of bearings, tubing and various cylinders having walls up to 1 inch thick and any diameter down to ⅝-inch ID. Graduations are quick reading with every thousandth numbered. A complete table of decimal equivalents is stamped on the thimble.

Check No. 18 on Reply Card for more Details

Rubber Frame Goggle

Designed to provide a gas-tight seal and recommended specifically for gas, fume or smoke hazards, is the new rubber frame goggle introduced by American Optical Co., Southbridge, Mass. No. 701 goggle is constructed without any ventilation slots in the rubber frame to prevent infiltration of air. It may be obtained in combination with the company's R2000 or R5000 respirators.

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Masonry Drill Bit

Cyclo-Core carbide tipped drill bit for precision drilling in hard masonry materials using a rotary type drill with pressure applied for holes ¾-inch diameter and up is announced by New England Carbide Tool Co. Inc., Cambridge 39, Mass. When inserted, the Cyclo-Center locates and starts a hole. As soon as hole is

spotted, it is removed. Machined-in spiral threads running the full length of the body make automatic runways for removing dust from the hole as it is cut.

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Synthetic Rubber Flooring

A new synthetic rubber flooring is available from Flash-Stone Co., Philadelphia 44, Pa. It has high resistance to acids, alkalis, water and other destructive agents. Known as Vulcrete, it dries to a light concrete color, and bonds inseparably without need for preliminary bonding with wood, metal, concrete, and similar bases.

Check No. 21 on Reply Card for more Details

Sealing Antirust Paint

PCA-100, a new penetrating and sealing antirust paint that can be applied over rusted surfaces, is announced by Paint Corp. of America, Cleveland 14, O. Suitable for both interior and exterior use, it is also effective in preventing rust on new metal. It should be used solely as a finish coat. PCA-101 is a clear paint, equally effective for rust prevention and can be painted over with any standard paint.

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Core Binder Resin

Designated as G-E 12353, an improved liquid phenolic core binder resin formulated to meet foundry requirements, is available from General Electric Co., Pittsfield, Mass. It permits the molding of stronger sand cores and through its use, baking cycles are reduced.

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Axial Face Mill

Style MF Kennamill, introduced by Kennametal Inc., Latrobe, Pa., has wedged-in solid Kennametal blades and structural features that make possible the removal of cast iron at from 60 to 70 inches of table travel per minute. Blades are available in two styles, for cutting to a square shoulder or to a 45-degree corner. Mill is made in seven cutting diameters: 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 and 18 inches, either right or left hand.

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Low Pressure Cylinder

LP cylinders, developed by Hanna Engineering Works, Chicago, Ill., feature a cork floater ring that facilitates cushion alignment with head and insures a seal during cushioning; spring-backed chevron rod packings

which are self-adjusting for consistently correct compression and flange design that permits removal of front head without disturbing mounting. Units are designed for operation up to 110 psi.

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Mild Abrasive Finishing

Cocob, corn cob product, is offered by Agri-Indus Mfg. Co., Columbus 15, O., for use as an abrasive, burnisher, polisher, filler, etc. It is dust free, free from metallic inclusions, resin and acid free, nonstaining. It is ground to Nos. 10, 20, 40 and 60 mesh and can also be ground to specifications.

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For Nut Running Jobs

Known as size 34U, a new heavy duty universal electric Impactool for nut running jobs in industrial maintenance, is introduced by Ingersoll-Rand Co., Phillipsburg, N. J. It has a 1-inch square driver and is rated for bolts up to 1¼-inch size.

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Drills Concrete

Tilden Tool Mfg. Co., San Clemente, Calif., offers rotary Konkrete Kore drills that drill concrete at 2 to 6 inches per minute. The exhaust slot allows pulverized core particles to escape, eliminating packing and overheating. Drills can be resharpened on any ordinary grinder used for tungsten carbide.

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Running Time Recorders

A new line of running-time recorders is announced by Bristol Co., Waterbury 20, Conn. They record on a chart the operating or "on" time of production machinery and other similar equipment in hours, minutes and seconds for a given period. Time off periods are also shown on the chart as well as the time at which they occurred.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION

on the new products and equipment in this section, fill in a card. It will receive prompt attention.

Fourth quarter demand for copper exceeds supply by 70 per cent; that for aluminum, 45 per cent. Shortages are expected to continue at least through 1952

ALLOCATIONS of copper and aluminum for delivery in the fourth quarter indicate that the shortages will remain acute during that period. An approximate balance between demand and supply is not expected to be attained until late 1952 at earliest. The average demand for copper and copper-base alloys in the fourth quarter is about 170 per cent of supply; that for aluminum, about 145 per cent.

NPA estimates copper supply for the final three months of the year at 583,000 tons against 557,000 tons in the third quarter; supplies of aluminum, 299,000 tons in each of the periods. Against this probable supply, NPA made total allotments of 662,970 tons of copper and 340,737 tons of aluminum. The apparent over-allotment takes into consideration the fact that requests for direct military use are consistently larger than amounts actually taken out of the market.

Large tonnages of copper have been booked at 24.50c by leading domestic producers against August allocations. Large tonnages of foreign copper also are being booked at 27.50c. The Garfield smelter of American Smelting & Refining Co. has resumed operations following a prolonged strike, but new difficulties have developed in negotiations between Kennecott Copper Corp. and its Garfield workers. Labor troubles continue to be a serious threat to future supplies.

In the case of aluminum, production is being expanded rapidly, although the government's plans for bringing a fourth producer of primary ingot into the industry have been delayed. Harvey Machine Co. has been unable to qualify under the original proposal for a \$45 million government loan which would be used for construction of an aluminum plant at Kalispell, Mont., and an alumina plant in the state of Washington. An alternative proposal is now under consideration.

Cadmium Supplies Improve

Supplies of cadmium have shown marked improvement. As a result, you are permitted increased use of the metal in a wide range of military and civilian products. NPA amended order M-19 because inventories of cadmium have been backing up in the hands of producers, pending placement of a larger volume of defense orders.

Under the original cadmium order, use of the metal was permitted in pigments only for certain essential purposes. All other uses for pigmentation or coloring were limited to 40 per cent of the producers' average monthly use for such purpose during the first half of 1950. The amount of cadmium that may be used for these less essential purposes is in-

creased to 60 per cent of the base period use.

Permitted use of cadmium in silver-brazing alloys is increased from 19 per cent to 25 per cent cadmium by weight. Cadmium now may also be used in bearings for automotive replacement parts, including carburetors and magnetos.

Accumulations of inventory exceeding 30-day needs is permitted when necessary because of minimum purchasable quantities.

RFC Cuts Tin Price to \$1.03

Reconstruction Finance Corp. lowered its selling price of Grade A tin 3 cents a pound Aug. 1 to \$1.03. This reflects the recent improvement in its supply position.

World mine production of tin increased to 15,600 long tons in May from 14,500 in April, a gain of 1100 tons, reports the International Tin Study Group, The Hague. There was an increase in output by all important producing countries with the May totals including: 4836 tons for Malaya, 3862 tons (exports) for Bolivia, 2713 tons for Indonesia, and 1442 tons for the Belgian Congo. Partial reports for June are available, including 4656 tons for Malaya, 1486 tons for Indonesia, and 1328 tons for Belgian Congo.

Dow Magnesium Sales Soar

Sharp rise in military demand for magnesium jumped Dow Chemical Co.'s sales of that metal to 30,000 tons during the fiscal year ended May 31. Sales in the previous fiscal year totaled 16,000 tons. During its last fiscal year, the company stepped up its Freeport, Tex., production of magnesium to capacity. The company also is reactivating production of magnesium in the government-owned plant at Velasco, Tex.

The Census Bureau reported that net shipments of magnesium wrought products unadjusted for the number of working days increased to 1,716,000 pounds during May from 1,531,000 pounds in April and 850,000 pounds in May 1950.

Revises Aluminum Foil Order

Coverage of aluminum foil order, M-67, was broadened by NPA to include all types except insulation foil. The order originally covered only aluminum foil used in containers and packaging materials. Amendment to the order brings in other uses, such as aluminum foil for household purposes, for florists, gift wrapping and seal and label usages. These had been controlled by order M-7 which was revoked July 1.

The amendment will help aluminum foil converters obtain controlled ma-

terials through one NPA industry division because the change puts all converted foil, except insulation foil, under jurisdiction of the NPA Containers and Packaging Division.

Other changes include: Establishment of quarterly rather than monthly quotas; a regrouping of items in schedule 1 of M-67; addition of a new group 5 which covers the use of programs previously under control of M-7; establishment of an inventory limitation of a minimum working inventory of not more than 60 days.

NPA Orders Lead Allocations

Allocation of supply of domestically produced soft pig lead became effective July 26. At the same time, limitations were established on the required acceptance of rated orders for pig lead products and alloys. Delivery of soft primary pig lead for any purpose may not be accepted except in accordance with an NPA allocation authorization. An applica-

STEEL'S Metal Price Averages for July, 1951

(Cents per pound)

Electrolytic Copper, del.	
Conn.	24.500
Lead, St. Louis	16.800
Prime, Western Zinc,	
E. St. Louis	17.500
Straits Tin, New York ..	106.000
Primary Aluminum	
ingots, del.	19.000
Antimony, f.o.b. Laredo,	
Tex.	42.000
Nickel, f.o.b. refinery...	56.500
Silver, New York	90.160

tion for an allocation must be filed on NPAF-115 not later than the 10th day of the month preceding the month in which delivery is required. Application authorizations and prohibition on delivery do not apply to: acceptance of lead by the General Services Administration; acceptance of pig lead from a foreign source; acceptance of pig lead by any person whose total receipts during the calendar month in which acceptance occurs are, and would remain, less than 10 net tons, and who has not applied to NPA for an allocation authorization for that month, and who furnishes to the supplier a certification to the effect that receipt of the shipment will be in compliance with M-76.

Aluminum Product Shipments

May shipments of aluminum wrought products, on an average working-day basis, were 9 per cent below April but 12 per cent over May, 1950, reports the Bureau of the Census. Net shipments, unadjusted for the number of working days, amounted to 145 million pounds in May compared with 152 million pounds in April and 129 million pounds in May, 1950.

ELECTROMET Data Sheet

A Digest of the Production, Properties, and Uses of Steels and Other Metals

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How Ladle Inoculants Reduce Chill . . . Produce High-Strength, Machinable Iron

One of the most significant developments in the field of cast iron metallurgy during recent years has been the widespread growth of the process of "inoculation" in producing quality metal to strict specifications. Inoculation has been defined as "a process in which an addition is made to molten cast iron for the purpose of altering or modifying the micro-structure of the iron and thereby improving the mechanical and physical properties to a degree not explainable on the basis of the change in composition."^{*}

Various ladle addition alloys are used for inoculation of cast iron, but there is a wide range in the efficiency and potency of these materials. The 50 per cent and 75 per cent ferrosilicons are mild inoculants, but they are used as ladle additions principally as a means of adjusting the silicon content of cast iron. The 85 per cent and 90 per cent grades of ferrosilicon are much more effective inoculants. Inoculating power is further improved through the use of special inoculating alloys, such as silicon-

manganese-zirconium ("SMZ" alloy) and calcium-silicon.

ELECTROMET produces a number of alloys for inoculation, each of which has specific applications. The graphitizing inoculants are:

"SMZ" Alloy	60-65% silicon 5-7% manganese 5-7% zirconium
Calcium-Silicon	30-33% calcium 60-65% silicon
90% Ferrosilicon	92-95% silicon
85% Ferrosilicon	83-88% silicon
Special Graphitizer	A mixture of ferro-silicon and graphite for special uses.
75% Ferrosilicon	73-78% silicon
50% Ferrosilicon	47-51% silicon

These inoculants are usually added to the molten iron as it leaves the cupola spout, or during transfer from one ladle to another.

"SMZ" Alloy—An Efficient Inoculant

The benefits of inoculation are obtained largely as the result of rigid control of the structure of the graphite phase of cast iron which has received this treatment. The results of inoculation on the properties of a typical cast iron are demonstrated by the accompanying illustrations showing the effect of adding various amounts of "SMZ" alloy.

Effects of Inoculation

The effects of graphitizing inoculants are: a drastic decrease in the chilling tendency of a given iron, a mild decrease in Brinell hardness, lowering of

Fig. 1—These curves show how additions of "SMZ" alloy reduce depth of chill and improve mechanical properties when added to a series of irons selected to give the following final analysis: 3.10 total carbon, 0.60 combined carbon, 1.80 silicon, and 0.50 manganese.

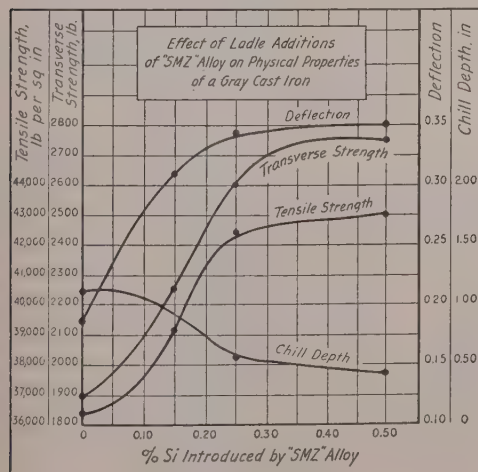


Fig. 2—These chill blocks show how progressive additions of "SMZ" alloy reduce the depth of chill.

the section sensitivity of the metal, a definite increase in tensile strength, and an increase in transverse strength and deflection. These benefits are usually accompanied by improved fluidity, better castability, and improved resistance to wear.

New Stabilizing Inoculant

For the production of cast iron, ELECTROMET developed recently a special low-carbon foundry ferrochrome. This silicon-chromium alloy is so balanced in composition that it increases the strength and hardness of gray iron, without increasing chill. The new alloy has a nominal analysis of 30 per cent silicon and 50 per cent chromium. It has excellent solubility in iron, and the inoculating effect of the silicon content makes it possible to add up to 1 per cent chromium to gray iron as a ladle addition, with no appreciable increase in chill. Castings treated with the new alloy have an excellent balance between machinability and good resistance to wear.

Booklets Available

Further information about ladle inoculants is given in the booklets, "SMZ Alloy and Its Uses as a Ladle Addition to Cast Iron" and "Silicon-Chromium Alloy in Complicated Iron Castings." You may obtain copies, free of charge, by writing or phoning to the address given above or to the nearest ELECTROMET office: in Birmingham, Chicago, Cleveland, Detroit, Los Angeles, New York, Pittsburgh, or San Francisco. In Canada: Welland, Ontario.



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Sheets, Strip . . .

Sheet and Strip Prices, Page 155 & 156

Chicago—Many consumers are disturbed over inability to find accommodation for their CMP tonnage with usual supply sources during September and fourth quarter. Regulations which required mills to book CMP business on a first-come first-serve basis squeezed out a number of users whose certifications suffered processing delays in Washington. Cold-rolled sheet production in September will be curtailed somewhat because of NPA's directive for about 40,000 additional tons of tin plate.

Boston—Midsummer slackening among consumers is more pronounced than warranted by seasonal factors alone but has slight effect on orders at the mill level. Shoe demand, for instance, is dull and only government orders for 2.5 million pairs are keeping some shops going. Yet steel demand is maintained at high level.

Philadelphia—Unless there is further upward revision in the percentage of set-asides, or some other modifications in regulations, producers are sold out for the fourth quarter on certified hot and cold-rolled sheets, galvanized and silicon sheets.

Pittsburgh—Carryover for fourth quarter will include some validated orders. Liberal granting of certificates by Washington has created an extreme distribution problem here.

Cleveland—The mills are loaded with tonnage carrying CMP tickets to such extent many consumers are having difficulty placing their authorizations. Indications are there will be a substantial carryover of third quarter tonnage into the October-November-December period, which, of course, may push some scheduled deliveries for that period into the first quarter of next year.

Cincinnati—Mill schedules cannot contain all CMP orders and confusion is the result. Even at this early date a large carryover from third quarter is indicated.

Los Angeles—With the flood of CMP certifications heavier than expected mill books are closed on flat-rolled products for fourth quarter.

Steel Bars . . .

Bar Prices, Page 155

Cleveland—Over-allocation of tonnage under the Controlled Materials Plan will result in substantial mill carryovers from month-to-month of validated orders until such time as CMP allotments more closely approximate production. Most bar mills are already booked solidly for fourth quarter on CMP orders and the leadtime deadline for the placing of orders is still two weeks away.

Boston—Cold-finished carbon and alloy bars for fourth quarter distribution present a major scheduling problem. Orders are on hand to take up capacity, but fitting this volume to mill space will be difficult. Some sizes are definitely sold up on revalidated DO orders.

New York—Hot carbon bar sellers generally are sold up for fourth quarter on rated tonnage. If set-asides were increased the picture would be changed somewhat, but only at the expense of "free" tonnage.

Philadelphia—Whereas a week ago

most producers of hot carbon bars were booked up for the remainder of the year on only the smaller sizes and larger shell sizes under certification, most sellers are now booked up on all sizes.

Pittsburgh—Supply situation in all types of bars, hot, cold and alloy, is stringent. Fourth quarter order books are just about filled with certified tonnage and producers are swamped with other certified orders—asking third quarter delivery in some instances. Greatest demand is for 3-in. and larger in all types.

Seattle—Bar mill order backlogs extend to end of fourth quarter. Demand for reinforcing and merchant bars continues strong but sellers are selective in accepting new orders. Defense and related needs get first call on output.

Tin Plate . . .

Tin Plate Prices, Page 156

Chicago—Tin plate producers have been directed by NPA to produce extra tonnage during September. The agency is seeking to find accommodation for about 50,000 tons during this month and is understood to have spotted only between 38,000 and 40,000 tons.

Structural Shapes . . .

Structural Shape Prices, Page 155

Philadelphia—Structural awards are scattered, with little active inquiry other than bridge work. There is, however, considerable industrial work in tentative stages. Fabricating shops are being turned down on some rated tonnage for final three months of the year, the mills being overloaded.

Boston—Revalidation of CMP allotments from third to fourth quarter is complicated, in some cases delayed. Fourth quarter potential requirements are far in excess of scheduled mill capacity. Close to 23,000 tons of rejected bridge bids in New England will be readvertised.

New York—Fear of "getting caught in an escalator" is causing many builders to move slowly in bringing out new work. Much uncertainty exists as to the availability of steel and other materials.

Pittsburgh—Overvalidation of third quarter shape tonnage is evident. Many industrial construction projects may be delayed.

Chicago—NPA directives for September and fourth quarter are complicating production schedules which already are filled to capacity. The situation will become more complicated when NPA begins issuing directives for emergency replacement and repair of bridges and other heavy structures in the Missouri-Kansas flood area.

Seattle—Structural fabricators hold substantial order backlogs but new bookings are measured to the limited supplies of shapes. Some local business went to plants in Oklahoma and Texas. Recent awards include 1800 tons for the Chief Joseph dam and 1000 tons for Eielson airfield, Alaska, hangar. Washington state plans a highway bridge, the Pasco-Kennewick, involving 4500 tons, bids about Oct. 1. Considerable tonnage pends for Alaskan installations.

Stainless Steel . . .

Stainless Steel Prices, Page 159

New York—Stainless steel sheet distribution is under rigid control because of the need for conserving nickel. Hence, deliveries are not so extended as on the major carbon grades for which CMP tickets have apparently been issued with a free hand. Straight chrome grades are not in overly strong demand, especially from distributors who are cautious in laying in inventories due to uncertainties as to how these grades will be accepted in many cases as substitutes for nickel chrome steels.

Wire . . .

Wire Prices, Page 157

Boston—Wire mills are filled through third quarter but some volume for this period is being booked by revision of orders. Users are ordering to full extent of allotments, though in some cases orders for finished goods do not match steel tonnage placed.

New York—Shortage of rods continues to hamper wiremakers. Some drawers say rod supply this month will be tightest so far this year. They see no improvement for September. Betterment in the fourth quarter will depend upon how well the Controlled Materials Plan operates.

Cleveland—Special tonnage directives for steel required in the flooded areas of Missouri and Kansas are expected to come through shortly, probably for September shipment. Heavy share of this added tonnage burden is expected to be on the wiremakers.

Plates . . .

Plate Prices, Page 155

Cleveland—Plate suppliers are practically booked through fourth quarter and there is comparatively little tonnage available on other than CMP allocation. Supply situation, however, is slightly improved compared with a few months back in that producers are able to give their customers better deliveries with the demand load more widely distributed.

Boston—Fourth quarter plate capacity will be taken up by CMP allotments and directives against listed A products. Bethlehem Steel Co. has booked three additional super-tankers with capacity of better than 250,000 barrels each, making 12 ships on order with two building.

New York—Plate fabricators report difficulty in getting steel against even rated allotments. Only on work requiring special directives are they able to figure promptly and with any assurance.

Pittsburgh—September plate distribution, although entirely on a directive basis will be complicated. Most producers hold validated orders in excess of potential supply. Confusion will not clear away until fourth quarter. Demand for light plates runs high with heavy plates not far behind.

Chicago—Already booked to capacity and unable to accommodate considerable tonnage sought by CMP customers during September and



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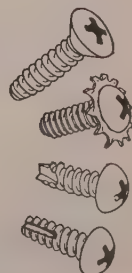
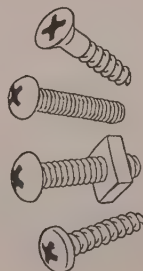


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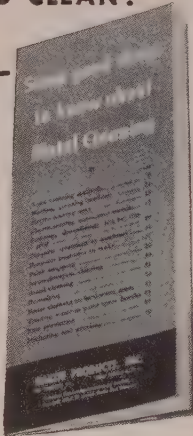
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fourth quarter, platemakers are harassed by numerous NPA directives.

Philadelphia—While some independent plate mills are not fully booked for fourth quarter, most larger mills are. This in part is due to the fact the latter are on a lower price level.

Seattle—Small fabricators' business is limited by the tonnage of plates available to them. Consequently they are booking new orders cautiously, especially larger jobs. Small contracts are fairly numerous.

Tool Steel . . .

Tool Steel Prices, Page 157

Fitchburg, Mass.—Flat ground die steel bars in 36-in. lengths in standard stock sizes from 1/2 to 2-in. up to 1 1/2 to 10-in., have been added by Simonds Saw & Steel Co. to its product list. These sizes are in addition to the regular 18-in. length bars furnished in 159 stock sizes.

New York—Bethlehem Steel Co. has advanced base prices at its producing mill in Bethlehem, Pa., on all grades of high speed tool steels and specialty steels, containing tungsten. The increases amount to 1.5 cents for each 1 per cent of tungsten content for each pound of product, and were effective with quotations and shipments made on and after July 27.

Tubular Goods . . .

Tubular Goods Prices, Page 159

Seattle—Numerous jobs calling for cast iron pipe are being figured, many of them Alaskan installations. Generally, municipal calls include alternatives it being difficult for cast pipe sellers to meet specified delivery dates. Seattle placed 1400 tons of 24 and 16-in. pipe for a local project.

Warehouse . . .

Warehouse Prices, Page 161

New York—Warehouse demand will be seasonally affected this month as it was in July by mass vacations in various metalworking plants. However, demand continues to exceed supply chiefly because of restricted inventories.

Philadelphia—Warehouses are receiving their established quotas from the mills, but not in the sizes and specifications always desired. As a result their inventories are further unbalanced.

Cleveland—Local warehouses report pressure off slightly seasonally, but they could do much larger volume business were their stocks adequate to meet all the demands coming to them. Receipts from the mills over fourth quarter are expected to be pretty much in line with the tonnage due them under government regulation, 85 per cent of receipts in the base period. However, with the amount of "free" steel shrinking overall supply heretofore available to the distributors will be down. Relatively little is heard of "gray" market steel these days. So far as can be ascertained volume in this market is extremely limited. Foreign steel is being delivered by vessel at Great Lakes ports. Last week around 500 tons of miscellaneous products from

Belgium were delivered at Cleveland by a Norwegian freighter.

Chicago—Mills wonder how they can comply fully during August with NPA's directive to increase from 85 to 130 per cent of base period shipments of certain steel products to warehouse customers in the Kansas-Missouri and Oklahoma flood areas. The directive covers August and September.

Los Angeles—Distributors are distressed over General Price Regulation Supplementary Regulation 42 which permits mills to raise prices of high-speed tool and specialty steels containing tungsten but allows the distributors only to charge new ceiling prices on steel received after the mill price increases. Distributors say this will require segregation and duplication of price lists.

Seattle—Steel distributors are under strong pressure for tonnage. Supplies, however, continue short, especially sheets and plates.

Fasteners . . .

Bolt, Nut, Rivet Prices, Page 159

Cleveland—Production of wrought washers is limited to the extent of raw material supply. Demand continues strong and makers are maintaining output at satisfactory level. The market is firm at price levels frozen last January. Price lists vary from producer to producer, up to list plus \$3 being quoted. However, list to list plus \$1 is considered a more representative market quotation.

Metallurgical Coke . . .

Metallurgical Coke Prices, Page 159

Pittsburgh—Metallurgical coke supply now is less a problem for foundries and steel plants. Oven coke demand is much reduced over the past few weeks. Two district blast furnaces are off for repairs allowing some inventory-building. Connellsville beehive demand has fallen and the market is slow.

Rails, Cars . . .

Track Material Prices, Page 157

Cleveland—Bids will be asked shortly by the Cleveland Transit System for at least 70 rapid transit cars, estimated to cost \$55,000 apiece, a signaling system to cost \$1,350,000, electrical rectification equipment costing \$1,300,000 and other equipment and supplies required for the proposed rapid transit line through the city. The Reconstruction Finance Corp. last week approved loan of \$29,500,000 for the project, construction of which will start within three or four months provided steel and other materials are available without delay. Large steel tonnage will be required, including structurals, plates, wire, etc. The steel companies have been in receipt of requests for prices over past months but no formal inquiries for tonnage as yet have come out.

Chicago—Rail mills report some cancellations of rail and track accessory orders. These come solely from Missouri-Kansas flood areas where because of conditions railroads will not be able to proceed with planned replacement programs or new construction.

Iron Ore . . .

Iron Ore Prices, Page 161

Cleveland—Lake Superior iron ore shipments are moving at a rate that may establish an all-time high for the season. In the record 1942 year, 92,076,781 tons were shipped. Shipments totaled 3,151,732 tons in the week ended July 30 compared with 3,196,323 in the preceding week and 2,962,428 tons for the like week a year ago. The cumulative total to 7 a. m., July 30, is 44,972,676 tons, gain of 11,301,296 tons over the 33,671,380 tons shipped in the like period a year ago.

Pig Iron . . .

Pig Iron Prices, Page 154

Boston—Mystic Iron Works, operator of the only blast furnace in New England, and which supplies about 95 per cent of the merchant foundry iron in the area, proposes to customers a 5-year extension of present contracts due to expire July 1, 1952. The proposal is due chiefly to the tight iron ore situation, according to J. H. Treanor, vice president. The company feels it advisable to make long-term ore commitments and if a majority of its customers agree to contract extensions will proceed to see what ore arrangements it can make.

Recently Mystic's method of pricing in its long-term contracts was approved by OPS. These contracts were introduced in 1947 when competitive disadvantages made it clear the furnace could not continue to operate due to losses sustained in meeting competitive prices.

Realizing the strategic importance of the furnace to New England industry, approximately 200 district foundries signed contracts agreeing to purchase a definite portion of their pig iron requirements on the basis of cost plus a guaranteed maximum mark-up above cost in order to make it possible for the furnace to operate at a fair profit over a reasonably long-range period.

New York—Fewer foundries will close this month for vacations, but there will still be a number of suspensions and this should have some bearing on demand pressure for pig iron. Some plants are arranging to take in shipments but in general where they are down for vacations they are taking in little raw material of any description.

Buffalo—Plant closings for vacations have had only a minor effect on the urgent pressure for merchant pig iron deliveries. More government work is noted in the area.

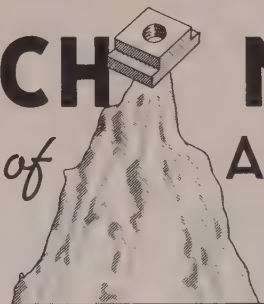
Philadelphia—The smaller of the two stacks at Swedeland, Pa., was put back into blast a few days ago after suspension of approximately a month for repairs. This will not be reflected in the merchant trade to any great extent for a while, as basic iron inventories will have to be built up for the stack's affiliated mill at Conshohocken.

Pittsburgh—No relief is in sight in the critical pig iron supply situation. Near-capacity operation continues with 52 of the 54 district stacks in blast. Foundry and steel plant inventories are low. Increased iron ratio in melts to compensate for

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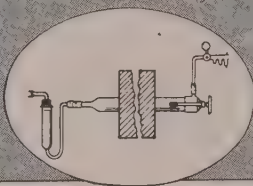
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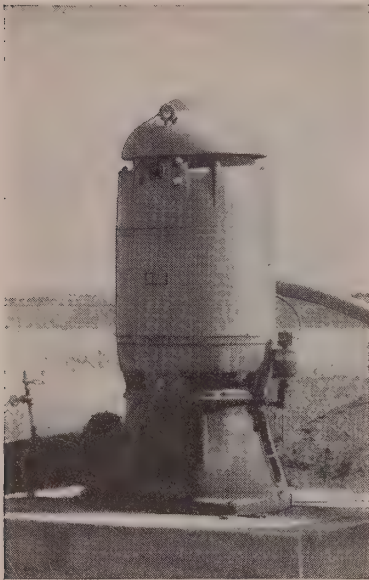
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scrap lack is reflected in high pig iron demand.

Cleveland—No summer lull in demand for pig iron has been experienced here although many foundries have been down for the usual vacation periods. However, most of the shops continued to take in iron steadily. Right now buyers are seeking to assure themselves adequate supplies over fourth quarter during which period the supply stringency is expected to be more acute than ever. One blast furnace in this district providing tonnage for the merchant market is scheduled to go down for repairs next month.

Chicago—Wisconsin Steel Division, International Harvester Co. blew out its No. 1 blast furnace at South Chicago Aug. 1 for enlarging and relining.

Los Angeles—To increase iron production, Colorado Fuel & Iron Corp. is rebuilding its "A" blast furnace at cost of \$1.5 million. Completion is scheduled by 1952.

Seattle—Domestic pig iron tonnage is practically unobtainable in this district with producers using more of their output of iron in their own steelmaking operations. Foundries are conserving their limited inventories by increasing the scrap ratio in their melts. European pig is being offered in small lots. Prices applying are approximately \$20 per ton above those on domestic material.

Scrap . . .

Scrap Prices, Page 162

Boston—Allocations on dealer yards are few. Shipments are heavier than yard take in some cases. Consumers of steel scrap are unable to build inventory. Most railroad and government scrap is allocated. On the basis of rail shipment, No. 1 heavy melting steel is \$34.17, Boston, but some volume is rumored higher on unofficial barge rates, at Providence reportedly \$37.25.

New York—Stringency in steel grades may not be as pronounced this month as last. It is thought there will be a better flow of industrial material. Many metalworking plants will observe mass vacations, but not as many as last month and this should be reflected in available tonnage. Whatever easing may develop, it appears doubtful that consumers will be able to more than keep even on inventories. Most mills see nothing but a marked shortage ahead for many weeks. Cast scrap is in better supply than steel grades.

Buffalo—Mill reserve stocks are being built up at a more rapid pace. Dealers, also report improvement in the volume of collections. Allocations from outside areas continue substantial. Approximately 8000 tons arrived from the eastern seaboard via the canal last week.

Philadelphia—Most district steel scrap consumers appear to have maintained inventories over the past week. Indications are that possibly the low point in scrap shipments has been passed.

Pittsburgh—Slight easing in scrap is marked by better receipts and faster movement of all grades. However, movement must improve considerably to allow stockpiling for winter. General opinion is that movement of all grades will increase in

the fall because of normal higher-productivity.

Cincinnati—Less industrial scrap is coming out, throwing a heavier burden on other sources to maintain the heavy mill melt. Allocations provide adequately to support such melt, but no seasonal buildup of stocks is possible.

Chicago—Hot weather is holding the steelmaking rate down by a point or two but since operations are well over capacity this is almost unnoticed insofar as scrap consumption is concerned. Mill-grade scrap flowing into this district still only matches consumption thus the inventory picture ranging from 6 to 12 days at individual mills remains unchanged. For fall and winter the outlook is bleak.

Seattle—Foundries in this area are engaged above normal. Cast scrap is not plentiful but tonnage is sufficient to support melting operations. Favorable weather is stimulating steel scrap receipts. Heavy consumption prevents accumulation of inventories. Substantial tonnage is coming into the market from mining operations and the Navy is planning to salvage an estimated 40,000 tons in the Aleutians. Scrap from Okinawa and Korea is reported going to Japanese mills. Local scrap consumers are pressing the Maritime Commission to scrap a number of vessels that cannot be reconditioned within reasonable cost limits.

Manganese Ore . . .

Washington—Government's 5-year domestic manganese development program makes no provision for stimulating production at 2000 or more known idle manganese deposits in the nation, according to J. Carson Adkerson, president, American Manganese Producers Association.

Purchase of ores through the program at Butte, Philipsburg, Mont., and Deming, N. Mex., will supply only about 2 per cent of the nation's annual consumption, he says.

Approximately 2 million tons of manganese are consumed yearly. The new program provides only for a maximum of around 38,000 tons per year of standard grade ore. Even this may not be obtained, Mr. Adkerson says, pointing out few domestic mines will be able to produce under the program since the prices and specifications are so drawn as to rule out most mines even in the areas covered.

Refractories . . .

Refractories Prices, Page 161

Pittsburgh—Brick makers await OPS approval of a projected price boost on all grades of brick to cover increased raw materials and labor costs. Industrial construction has caused shortage of both basic and acid brick.

STRUCTURAL SHAPES . . .

STRUCTURAL STEEL PLACED

2500 tons, manufacturing building, Hyatt Roller Bearing Division, General Motors Corp., Clark township, New Jersey, to Harris Structural Steel Co., New York.

1800 tons, taintor gates, Chief Joseph dam, Washington state, to Consolidated Western Steel Corp., Seattle.

1000 tons, hangar, Elison Air Force base, Alas-

ka, partly furnished by government, balance awarded Pacific Car & Foundry Co., Seattle, Peter Kiewit Sons Co., Seattle, general contractor.

700 tons, power house, Rock Island dam, Washington state, to Mississippi Valley Structural Steel Co., through Stone & Webster Engineering Corp., Boston, engineer-contractor.

200 tons, telephone building, Spokane, Wash., to Union Iron Works, Spokane.

200 tons, anchorage steel-tower material, to Creamer & Dunlap, Tulsa, Okla., by Bonneville Power Administration, Portland, Ore.

200 tons, hangar, McChord field, Washington state, to Continental Steel Co., Los Angeles; J. H. Sellers, Seattle, general contractor.

200 tons, hangar, Paine field, Washington state, to Continental Steel Co., Los Angeles; Teufel & Co., Seattle, general contractor.

188 tons, roof panels, Alaska Railroad power plant, Anchorage, Alaska, to Detroit Steel Products Co., Detroit; Morrison-Knudsen Co., Seattle, general contractor.

100 tons, school building, Hartford, Vt., to Vermont Structural Steel Co., Burlington, Vt.; H. P. Cummings Construction Co., Ware, Mass., general contractor.

100 tons, junior high school, Stratford, Conn., to Port Chester Iron Works, Port Chester, N. Y.; E. & F. Construction Co., Bridgeport, Conn., general contractor.

STRUCTURAL STEEL PENDING

6700 tons, contract 3, viaduct superstructure, Major Deegan state expressway, New York; bids Aug. 15.

4880 tons, Gilmore street bridge, Jacksonville, Fla.; bids closed.

4500 tons, Washington state, Pasco-Kennewick highway bridge; bids to Olympia about Oct. 1.

2000 tons, state bridge, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania; Conduit & Foundation Corp., Philadelphia, low on general contract.

1200 tons, two Army warehouses, Mt. Ranier ordnance depot, Washington state, bids to U.S. Engineer, under tabulation.

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1000 tons, eight bridges, expressway, Fall river, Freetown, Mass.; bids Aug. 14, Boston.

930 tons, state bridge program, Cumberland and York counties, Pennsylvania; bids Aug. 24.

700 tons, Whittier, Alaska, power plant; bids rejected, second call in early August.

685 tons, state highway bridges, Leominster, Mass.; Bayer & Mingolla Construction Co., Worcester, Mass., low.

450 tons, central research building, American Smelting & Refining Co., Plainfield, N. J.; bids Aug. 6.

183 tons, state bridge, Fulton county, Pennsylvania; bids Aug. 24.

100 tons, state bridge, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania; Conestoga Construction Co., Rohrerstown, Pa., low on general contract.

Unstated, miscellaneous plant construction for Du Pont interests, Martinsburg, W. Va.; bids asked.

REINFORCING BARS . . .

REINFORCING BARS PLACED

1250 tons, Rock Island dam, Washington state to Columbia Steel Co., through Stone & Webster Engineering Corp., Boston, engineer-contractor.

700 tons, Ladd Air Field Hospital, Alaska, to Northwest Steel Rolling Mills Inc., Seattle; Grove, Shepherd, Wilson & Kruge, Seattle, general contractors.

275 tons, junior high school, Stratford, Conn., to Fireproof Products Corp., New York; E. & F. Construction Co., Bridgeport, Conn., general contractor.

200 tons, Washington state highway bridges, King county, to Northwest Steel Rolling Mills Inc., Seattle.

150 tons, Fort Richardson air base laundry, Alaska, to Northwest Steel Rolling Mills Inc., Seattle; J. C. Boespflug Co., Seattle, general contractor.

REINFORCING BARS PENDING

500 tons, administration building, Fort Richardson, Alaska; general award to J. H. Pomerooy & Co., Seattle, low \$1,983,000.

Unstated, two 750-man barracks, Elmendorf field, Alaska; bids to U.S. engineer, Aug. 21.

Unstated, Bigg Cliff dam and completion Detroit dam power house, Oregon state; low bid \$7,397,547 rejected; U.S. Engineer will negotiate.

PIPE . . .

CAST IRON PIPE PLACED

1400 tons, 24 and 16-inch cast iron pipe, Bothell Way improvement project, Seattle, to H. G. Purcell, Seattle, for U.S. Pipe & Foundry Co., Burlington, N. J.

RAILS, CARS . . .

LOCOMOTIVES PLACED

Canadian National, three 1200-hp road units, to General Motors Diesel Ltd., London, Ont., and one 1000-hp switching unit, to the American Locomotive-General Electric Companies, Schenectady, N. Y.; latter is for operation on the Central Vermont.

Erie, 15 diesel-electric locomotive units, with one 1500-hp freight, three 1500-hp road switching and four 1000-hp switching units to Electro Motive Division, General Motors Corp., La Grange, Ill.; four 1600-hp road switching and one 1000-hp switching units to Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton Corp., Eddystone, Pa.; two 1600-hp road switching and one 1000-hp switching units to American Locomotive-General Electric Companies, Schenectady, N. Y.

Ontario Northland, eight 1600-hp diesel-electric road switching units, to Montreal Locomotive Works, Montreal.

The Utah, three 1600-hp diesel-electric road switching units, to American Locomotive-General Electric Companies, Schenectady, N. Y.

RAILROAD CARS PLACED

Wabash, 100 seventy-ton covered hopper cars, to Pullman-Standard Car Mfg. Co., Chicago, and 50 seventy-ton gondolas, to Greenville Steel Car Co., Greenville, Pa.

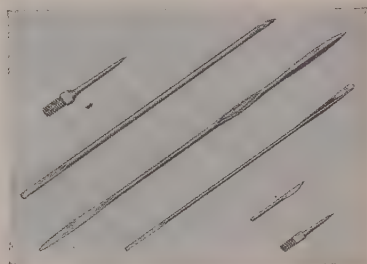
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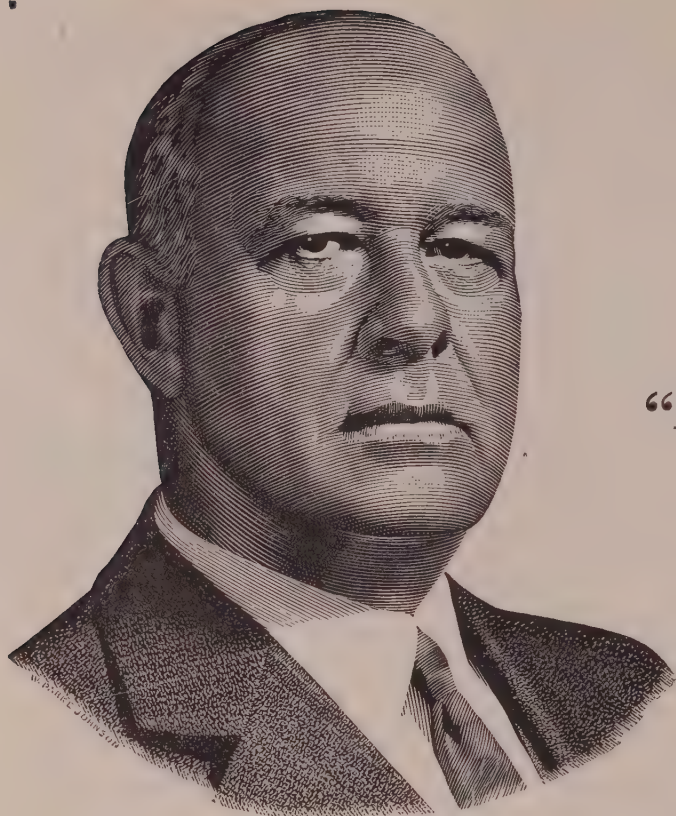
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CONSTRUCTION—ENTERPRISE—ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGES

Copco Buys Iron Works

Copco Steel & Engineering Co., Detroit, acquired all the outstanding stock of Edwards Iron Works Inc., South Bend, Ind. Edwards is engaged in the manufacture of commercial freight trailers, fabricated assemblies of various kinds, structural steel fabrication and a general steel warehouse business. The company becomes a wholly-owned Copco subsidiary and will continue in the same line of business under the same management and general policy. William H. Edwards will continue as president and general manager of Edwards Iron Works Inc.

Western Electric To Build

Western Electric Co., New York, will erect an assembly and distribution plant in Syracuse, N. Y. Construction is scheduled to begin this fall.

Marshall Railway Equipment

Newhall-Marshall-Wood Inc., New York, changed its name to Marshall Railway Equipment Corp. The company deals in new and used railroad cars, tank and car parts, locomotives, steel storage tanks and industrial equipment.

Hanna Renames Steamer

M. A. Hanna Co. renamed the steamer *Fred G. Hartwell* to *Matthew Andrews* in honor of Matthew Andrews, who was chairman of the Hanna board from 1922 until his death in 1929. Mr. Andrews had been previously a partner in M. A. Hanna & Co., predecessor of the M. A. Hanna Co. *Matthew Andrews* is the largest of 13 bulk freighters operated by Hanna and has established many records.

GM Building Syracuse Plant

Construction of a large General Motors Corp. plant on Town Line road, Syracuse, N. Y., for the production of stator blades for jet engines has been started. The structure will have 400,000 square feet of floor space.

Form Ontario Foundry Co.

A partner and two employees of Seneca Foundry, Geneva, N. Y., purchased the Crown Mfg. Co., Phelps, N. Y., and will open a foundry business there under the name of the Ontario Foundry Co. Partners in the new firm are Michael Canulli, Mrs. Helen Canulli and John Mahoney. The Phelps buildings are now being readied

for foundry operations. Seneca Foundry's plant, scene of a fire several weeks ago, will not be rebuilt.

Whitney To Build in Texas

Whitney Chain Co., Hartford, Conn., will build a plant in Longview, Tex. An application for a certificate of necessity, filed last March, listed estimated cost at \$4,796,000.

Rheem Buys Graham Mfg. Co.

James Graham Mfg. Co., Newark, Calif., was acquired by Rheem Mfg. Co., New York. Graham was founded as a supplier of foundry products for railroads and is well known for its line of gas ranges. Its business will be continued under management of Clarence Graham Sr., son of the founder.

C. Lee Cook Mfg. Expands

C. Lee Cook Mfg. Co. Inc., Louisville, is expanding its facilities for production of metallic rod packings and graphitic iron piston rings. Present capacity will be increased about 50 per cent.

Homak Buys Furniture Firm

Homak Mfg. Co., Chicago, purchased the building and machinery of Bell Metal Products Co., that city, for the manufacture of kitchen furniture. S. H. Danziger is president of Homak Mfg. Co.

Foundry Products Division

Werner G. Smith Co. Division, Archer-Daniels-Midland Co., Cleveland, changed its name to Foundry Products Division, Archer-Daniels-Midland Co.

Stronghold Buys Rivco Inc.

Stronghold Pacific, western division of Stronghold Screw Products Inc., Chicago, acquired ownership of Rivco Inc., Downey, Calif., manufacturer of rivets and screws for the automotive and aircraft industries. B. J. Sackheim is president of Stronghold.

Griffin Plans Alterations

Griffin Mfg. Co., Erie, Pa., secured permits for \$100,000 in alterations to its factory and office.

Levinson Steel Expanding

Levinson Steel Co., Pittsburgh, is embarking on a \$1,057,000 expansion program which will increase its fabricating facilities 25 per cent. Program consists of four buildings adjoining the company's present operations, two of which are un-

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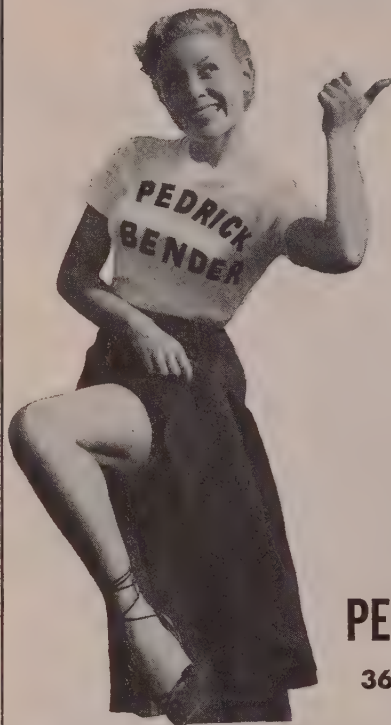
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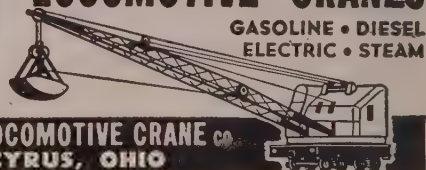
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Avondale Buys Foundry

Avondale Marine Ways Inc., Avondale, La., acquired all properties and facilities of Service Foundry, New Orleans. The new foundry division is equipped with some of the largest machine tools in the southern states. Electric steel castings weighing up to 11,000 pounds can be cast in the foundry. James H. Bull is president of Avondale.

Worthington Pump Moves

Sales and engineering functions of the water treating section of Worthington Pump & Machinery Corp., Harrison, N. J., were moved from the company's Dunellen, N. J., plant to its Harrison plant.

Chicago Steel Service Co.

Chicago Steel Service Co., large independent distributor of stainless and carbon steel, moved into its new general offices and warehouse on Kildare avenue and 45th street, Chicago. The \$1.5 million warehouse is equipped with the latest developments in materials handling as well as equipment to process orders for special shapes and sizes.

Continental Buys Dixon Mfg.

Continental Can Co., New York, bought the Dixon Mfg. Co. Inc., Coffeyville, Kans., contract manufacturer of aircraft components. William M. Cameron, vice president, Continental's Central (Metal) Division, is also president of this new wholly-owned subsidiary. W. O. Dixon, former president, will continue as general manager. Continental plans to expand facilities in Coffeyville to handle additional contracts which are now being negotiated.

Metals Processing Division

Metals Processing Division, Curtiss Wright Corp., New York, has been organized in Buffalo. The division will apply newly developed methods to make essential materials and products for aircraft. The new division will be the sixth operating unit of the company.

SKF Industries Expands

Construction is under way in the \$10 million plant expansion, equipment and machinery replacement program of SKF Industries Inc., Philadelphia. This large producer of ball and roller bearings is adding to its Philadelphia plant No. 1 a laboratory addition, new building to house finished stores, bridge connecting main factory building with

new addition; is building an addition to its Shippensburg, Pa., plant to step-up production of retainers; is expanding its Philadelphia No. 2 plant to provide new and larger heat-treating facilities, and increase manufacturing capacities for spherical and cylindrical bearings.

To Make Gas Appliance Items

With purchase of Grayson-Greenamyer Inc., Monrovia, Calif., for a reported \$750,000, General Controls, Glendale, Calif., will start manufacture of water heaters, thermostatic and safety controls for gas appliances.

Forms Dresser Equipment Co.

Kobe Inc. and International Derrick & Equipment Co., Los Angeles, have been merged to form Dresser Equipment Co., a subsidiary of Dresser Industries Inc., Dallas. They were formerly operated as separate subsidiaries of Dresser Industries and will now be operated as the Kobe Division and Ideco Division, respectively, of Dresser Equipment Co.

Steel Distributor Expands

William G. Wetherall Inc., Baltimore, acquired five acres of land at Cherry Hill road near Waterview avenue, Westport, where it will erect a larger iron and steel distributing warehouse than it now occupies. Joseph A. Doyle Jr. is president.

To Build Electronics Plant

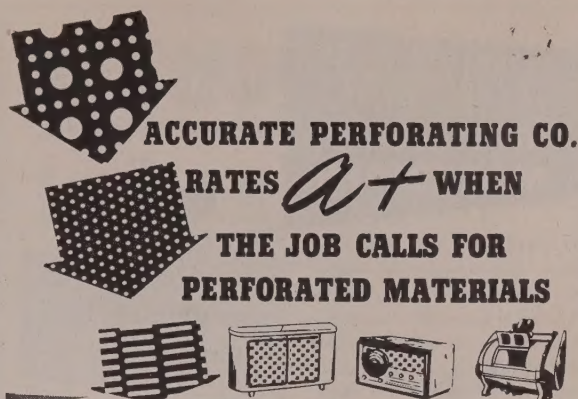
General Precision Laboratory Inc., manufacturer of electronic equipment and a subsidiary of the General Precision Equipment Corp., New York, purchased 3½ acres at Pleasantville, N. Y., for the erection of a two-story plant, which is expected to be finished early next year.

Yoder Building Tube Mill

An electric resistance-weld tube mill with a capacity for making line pipe and casing in sizes from 4½ inches up to 16 inches outside diameter, in thicknesses ranging up to 9/16 inch is being constructed by The Yoder Co., Cleveland, for Lone Star Steel Co., Dallas. This will be one of the largest electric resistance-weld pipe and tube mills ever built. Its cost will exceed \$3 million, not including installation.

Plans Long-Range Expansion

Preparing for an extensive long-range expansion program, National Lock Co., Rockford, Ill., subsidiary of Keystone Steel & Wire Co., Peoria, Ill., purchased a 174-acre tract of land south of Rockford. Elco Tool & Screw Co. and Rockford Screw Products Co. also



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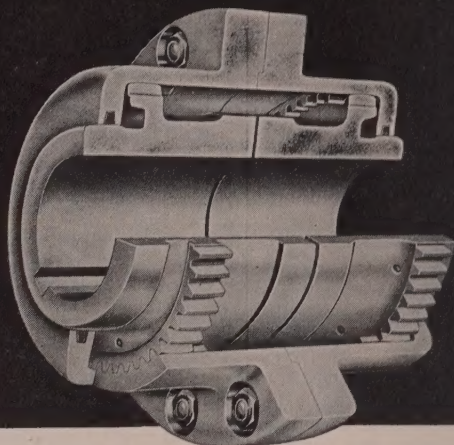
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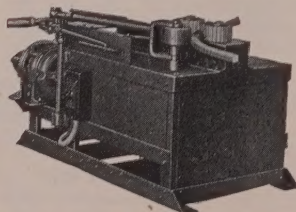
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have purchased land in the capacity for production of same general area. Development of National Lock's property will depend upon engineering studies now being made. Storage, manufacturing and parking space is needed by the company.

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Allied Metal Treating Corp. was incorporated in Milwaukee by Charles I. Wesley, Evan C. Schwemer and Glen A. Schwemer. The company may ultimately represent an investment of \$2.5 million. The company has an initial capitalization of \$500,000. The company plans to build an administration building and a metal treating and electroplating plant in Pleasant Prairie, near Kenosha, Wis.

Black & Decker Mfg. Co.

Black & Decker Mfg. Co., Towson, Md., completed foundation work on its branch plant at Hampstead, Carroll county. The proposed plant will comprise 100,000 square feet. It is scheduled to be ready for occupancy by early next spring.

Will Build Turbine Plant

John Inglis Co. Ltd., Toronto, which has received a contract for production of marine steam turbines from the Department of Defense Production, will erect a new plant in Scarborough township, to have 150,000 square feet of floor space. This is the first unit in the company's expansion program. The steam turbines will be produced to the design of the English Electric Co., which holds a 51 per cent interest in the John Inglis Co. Ltd.

Binks Moves Seattle Branch

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Hydraulic Research Builds

Hydraulic Research & Mfg. Co., Burbank, Calif., will construct an 8400 square foot plant in that city. Completion is scheduled by September.

American Cyanamid Expands

An expansion of facilities for production of basic chemicals at plants in Niagara Falls and Welland, Ont., is planned by North American Cyanamid Ltd., a subsidiary of American Cyanamid Co., New York. A further step in the expansion program will be installation of equipment which will increase the latter company's

Martin Leases Storage Space

Glenn L. Martin Co., Middle River, Md., maker of airplanes and parts, leased 30,000 square feet of storage space at 215-217 W. Pratt St., Baltimore. The company has an order book of more than \$400 million.

Opens Charleston Warehouse

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Westinghouse Acquires Firm

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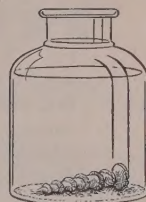
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